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WEATHER FORECAST
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December 10 1915. Temperature 6 a.m. 57° 2 p.m. 58°
Humidity 82° 87°

December 10 1915. Temperature 6 a.m. 63° 2 p.m. 65°
Humidity 82° 77°

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TO-DAY'S LATEST WAR TELEGRAMS.

A GRAPHIC PICTURE OF THE BALKAN SITUATION.

ANTAGONISTS TOO OVERCOME WITH COLD TO FIGHT.

Bulgarians Claim Important Captures.

A FRESH CRISIS BETWEEN AMERICA AND GERMANY.

[Reuter's Service to the "Telegraph"]

THE FIGHTING IN THE BALKANS.

THE POSITION OF THE ALLIES.

December 9, 1,50 p.m.
Fragmentary intelligence regarding the situation of the Allies in the Balkans indicates that the British are holding a position north-west of Lake Doiran, east of the River Vardar, and to the right of the French, who are west of the Vardar. The latter's principal position is on the Demirkapı defile, 20 or 30 miles west of the point where the British are being attacked.

It appears that the heavy Bulgarian artillery fire which opened the attack was of short duration, as the batteries were located by aeroplanes, and the deadly precision of the Anglo-French response resulted in the destruction of the Bulgarian batteries and in panic in the enemy camp which might have been followed up if the Allies at present intended a serious offensive.

It is expected that the Bulgarian pressure on the British will become increasingly severe, as the Franco-British line is acting like a magnet now that the Serbians are dispersed in the wilds of Montenegro, Albania and Epirus. The latest despatch from Salonica states that a portion of the retreating Serbian Army has skirted the eastern shore of Lake Ochrida and has reached Epirus, the main body having taken refuge in Albania.

The first Anglo-French supplies for the Serbians arrived in Albania some days ago. There are strong British reinforcements at Salonica, and the British position is strong, but the facilities for transport are scanty, while the weather is unfavourable.

The cold is very fierce. Reuter's correspondent at the British Headquarters in Macedonia, describing the cold, says the hot water bottles of the French ambulance are found frozen in the morning in the beds, patients' eggs have exploded with the cold while freezing on the plates, and ink froze in fountain pens. At one point where the troops saw the enemy 200 yards distant, both parties were too overcome with cold to think of fighting. The thermometer shows 39 degrees of frost, which is accentuated by a piercing wind. There are numerous casualties from frost-bite.

BULGARIAN CLAIMS.

December 9, 4.45 p.m.
Reuter's Amsterdam correspondent states that a Bulgarian communique claims that the pursuit of the French was continued on Tuesday on both sides of the Vardar. The communique says: "We occupied the railway station at Demirkapı, and we encircled the village of Grabice on three sides, there was a hot battle till midnight. We attacked the Anglo-French forces along the whole Strumitsa front, the battle being most stubborn." The communique claims too that the Bulgarians took 18 Serbian guns at Djakeva.

THE GERMAN BUDGET.

NEW BIG CREDIT ASKED.

December 9, 1,50 p.m.
Reuter's correspondent at Amsterdam says that well-informed people in Berlin believe that the second supplement of the Imperial Budget of 1915, asking for a credit of 1,000 million Marks, has been submitted at the Reichstag.

TO-DAY'S LATEST WAR TELEGRAMS.

AMERICAN PROSPERITY.

"STRONGER THAN ANY OTHER NATION."

December 9, 1,50 p.m.
Reuter's Washington correspondent states that the "extraordinarily sound" economic and financial conditions of the United States form the theme of the annual statement of the Secretary to the Treasury. He says railways, iron, steel and cotton are all phenomenally prosperous, and there have also been splendid crops. The financial resources are the greatest in history and the banking system is now the strongest in the world.

"Our condition economically and financially," says the Secretary, "is better than that of any other nation." The stock of gold (\$2,198 million dollars) is the largest ever held by one country and will be greatly augmented in the immediate future from Britain, South Africa, Canada and Australia.

THE ANCONA.

STRAINED SITUATION BETWEEN AMERICA AND GERMANY.

December 9, 2,00 p.m.
Reuter's Washington correspondent states that Mr. Lansing framed the Ancona Note with the entire approval of President Wilson. Its brevity is due to a desire to settle the question immediately and to avoid the Lusitania proceedings. High officials are of the opinion that the situation calls for grave consideration. The affair is complicated by the fact, that since the despatch of the Note there have been further attacks on American ships in the Mediterranean.

ALLIES' WAR COUNCIL.

THE BRITISH REPRESENTATIVES.

December 9, 1,50 p.m.
In the House of Commons to-day Mr. Asquith announced that the British representatives on the Allies' War Council were Field Marshal Sir John French, General Sir William Robertson, and General Sir Archibald J. Murray.

ENEMY TRADING.

EXTENDING THE RESTRICTIONS.

December 9, 1,50 p.m.
In the House of Commons to-day, Lord Robert Cecil introduced a Bill empowering an extension of the Enemy Trading Restrictions to persons of enemy nationality or association outside enemy territory.

SIR ARTHUR LAWLEY'S COMMISSION.

December 9, 1,50 p.m.
The Hon. Sir Arthur Lawley has been gazetted a temporary Colonel.

FRENCH COLONIAL ARMY.

(Havas Telegram.)

December 8.
A Senatorial Committee has approved the report organising a native army throughout the French Colonial possessions for the Spring of 1916. The French Government will sign the Decree concerning this new scheme.

(In the event of telegrams arriving too late for insertion on this page they will be found on the Extra.)

EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

FIVE NAVAL HONOURS.

December 8, 3,00 p.m.
Simultaneous with the gazetting of Admiral King Hall's detailed despatches regarding the destruction of the Koenigsberg, five Distinguished Service Orders have been conferred, the recipients being Captain Fullerton, Commander Robert Wilson, Naval Aviator Robert Gordon Call and Sub-lieutenants Harwood and Arnold.

WAR TELEGRAMS.

THE PEACE QUESTION.

MR. ASQUITH'S STATEMENT.

December 8, 5,35 p.m.
During question time in the House of Commons, Mr. Asquith informed Mr. Snowden that the Governments of France, Russia, Japan, Italy and Britain had mutually agreed not to conclude peace separately. He added: "If serious proposals for a general peace are submitted by the enemy, either through a neutral or direct, they will first be discussed by the Allied Governments and it will be the desire of this Government to take Parliament into its confidence at the earliest possible moment."

THE PERSIAN ARRESTS.

December 8, 7,00 p.m.
Reuter's Tehran states that the situation in Teheran has improved. The British Consul at Shiraz and the other Englishmen arrested there on November 10 are still at Borazgan and are being well treated.

TSAR LEAVES FOR FRONT.

December 8, 7,00 p.m.
A message from Petrograd says that the Tsar and the Tsarevitch have left Tsarkoe Selo for the front.

AUSTRIAN SUBMARINE ACTIVITY.

THE FACTS OVER-STATED.

December 8, 7,10 p.m.
An Admiralty statement regarding the recent Austrian communique says that only two small steamers were sunk, one of them being of 390 tons, also a few small sailing vessels. The information given concerning land guns is doubtful. The French submarine Fresnel was attacked while aground. The latest Austrian communique speaks of sinking a very large sailing ship. This was actually the Galliaro of thirty tons.

CLAIM TO HAVE SUNK ITALIAN CRUISER.

December 9, 1,40 a.m.
According to an Amsterdam telegram an Austrian communique says that an Austrian submarine on the 5th inst. sank a small two-funnelled Italian cruiser off Valona.

RESCUE OF CREWS.

December 9, 6,19 a.m.
The British steamer Igna and the Italian barge Pictor-solano have been sunk. Their crews were saved. Thirty-eight members of the crew of the British steamer Helmanuir have been picked up.

THE COMMUNIPAW MYSTERY.

December 9, 6,10 a.m.
There is some mystery concerning the fate of the a.s. Communi-paw. A message from Reuter's correspondent at Rome states that the Communi-paw left Genoa on December 2 for Alexandria. The first news of her was received by wireless from an Italian ship, which picked up a call for help from the Communi-paw and hastened to the spot after calling Greek and British warships. None of them found a trace of the Communi-paw. According to a New York telegram, the Standard Oil officials say that the Communi-paw should have left Alexandria for New York on December 7 and they have had no advice.

Later.
A message from Reuter's correspondent at Washington states that the American Ambassador at Rome informs the State Department that the Standard Oil Co.'s steamer Communi-paw has been captured and taken to a port unnamed.

THE FIGHTING IN THE BALKANS.

OCCUPATION OF MONASTIR.

December 8, 8,80 p.m.
An official Greek announcement issued in Athens states that one German and one Bulgarian regiment have entered Monastir. The British and French troops are continuing their withdrawal to the Greek frontier.

THE "ANZACS."

UNFLINCHING GALLANTRY PRAISED.

December 8, 8,55 p.m.
While at Gallipoli, Earl Kitchener delivered to the Australian and New Zealand contingents a message from His Majesty the King expressing high appreciation of their unflinching gallantry through fighting as hard as any that had yet been seen during the war. The message adds: "I have complete confidence in the determination and fighting quality of our men to assist in carrying the war to an entirely successful termination." Earl Kitchener expressed his own appreciation of the wonderfully good work of the "Anzacs." Not until he himself had seen the positions captured and held, had he been able to fully realize the magnitude of the work accomplished. He was pleased to find all in such good heart and imbued with such grand spirit.

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TELEGRAMS.

NEWS FOR BUSY

CONDENSED.

The Hon. Sir Arthur Lawley has been gazetted a temporary Colonel.

The death is announced of Mr. Stephen Phillips, the famous dramatist and poet.

America's stock of gold (\$2,198 million dollars) is said to be the largest ever held by one country.

The Secretary of the U. S. Treasury states that America's banking system is now the strongest in the world.

According to the Secretary of the U. S. Treasury, our condition economically and financially is better than that of any other nation.

The establishment of a triple industrial alliance between the miners, railwaymen and transport workers of the United Kingdom is announced.

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U. S. officials are of the opinion that the Ancona affair calls for grave consideration, being complicated by the fact that since the despatch of the Note there have been further attacks on American ships in the Mediterranean.

DON'T FORGET.

TO-DAY.

Bijon Theatre—9.15 p.m.
Victoria Theatre—9.15 p.m.

TO-MORROW.

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Thursday, December 16.
Stone-laying Mongkokian Harbour of Refuge—4.30 p.m.

Saturday, December 18.
The China Fire Insurance Co., Ltd.—Extraordinary General Meeting—Noon.

Monday, December 20.
Union Insurance Society of Canton, Ltd.—Extraordinary General Meeting—11 a.m.

China Traders' Insurance Co., Ltd.—Extraordinary General Meeting—11.15 a.m.

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South China Morning Post.

The Allies' Strategy.
As this war progresses the number of battle front increases. The front likely to be created next is on the Russo-Persian frontier, where the enemy is striving by every possible means to raise the population against the Allies. Germany and Austria, occupying the central position in Europe, have decided advantage over the Allies in that they are able to distribute reinforcements and supplies on lines diverging from a common centre. They can strengthen one battle front at the expense of another far more rapidly than the Allies who are fighting on several detached fronts, communication with which is slow and difficult.

Daily Press.

The Vacancy on the Legislative Council.

In the exercise of a right conceded during the Governorship of Sir George Bowen thirty-two years ago, the members of the Hongkong Chamber of Commerce will proceed this afternoon to choose a representative of their interests upon the Legislative Council. Incredible as it may seem in the case of a Colony which, in point of tonnage, is the largest port in the world and owes its very foundation and prosperity to commercial effort, this is the only measure of regular representation with which the authorities have seen fit to entrust the inhabitants. Four of the other five unofficial members of the Legislative Council are appointed direct by the Governor, while the fifth is selected by the Justices of the Peace, who are His Excellency's nominees. In these circumstances it might, perhaps, be expected that the election would arouse a considerable degree of interest on the part of the general public, and that for the vacancy there would be an eager rush of candidates.

China Mail.

More Evidence of German "Kultur".

The particulars regarding the appearance presented by the aviators and soldiers returned to England, in exchange for German prisoners interned there, will be read throughout the world with feelings of anger and disgust, because of the inhuman treatment that there is a danger for believing was meted out to the unfortunate men and of a degree against German methods. The telegram (which we print in another column) presented the most pathetic sight. The men were mostly dressed in old, ragged German uniforms, wearing wooden clogs, and all presenting an extraordinary contrast with the warmly clad Germans returned by England. Such treatment in historical marks out the Germans as being what we have always contended they are, namely, a nation of barbarians.

To Explore Borneo.

A Norwegian explorer, Professor Ljungholm, arrived Batavia with a view to settling out on a scientific expedition across Borneo. The Netherlands India Government has promised him its support. It is the explorer's intention to visit the parts of Borneo on European maps not yet explored, viz., the northern parts. In the course of the expedition films will be taken and orchids gathered for the Government Horticultural Garden. After this expedition, which takes about a year, Prof. Ljungholm intends to visit New Guinea.

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GENERAL NEWS.

Japanese Minister at the Hague.
Dr. Kentaro Ochiai, formerly attached to the Japanese Embassy in Petrograd, and afterwards Consul-General at Mukden, has been appointed Japanese Minister at The Hague.

Smuggling at Antung.
The officials in the Customs House Antung have detected many cases of smuggling of bombs and other "explosive matters." On the special recommendation of the Ministry of Finance, the President has given rewards to Wang Ping-chen and other officials who have shown zeal in tracking down the smugglers.—*National Review.*

Formerly with Kelly and Walsh.
The death took place on Friday, November 19, at Bournemouth, England, of Mr. John Morris, who was for many years connected with the firm of Kelly and Walsh, Ltd. Mr. Morris came to Shanghai nearly thirty years ago, to join the printing department of the firm, and after a few years was made manager of the department, which position he held until his departure from Shanghai some six years ago. "Deposed" was on the board of directors of the company for many years.—*N. C. Daily News.*

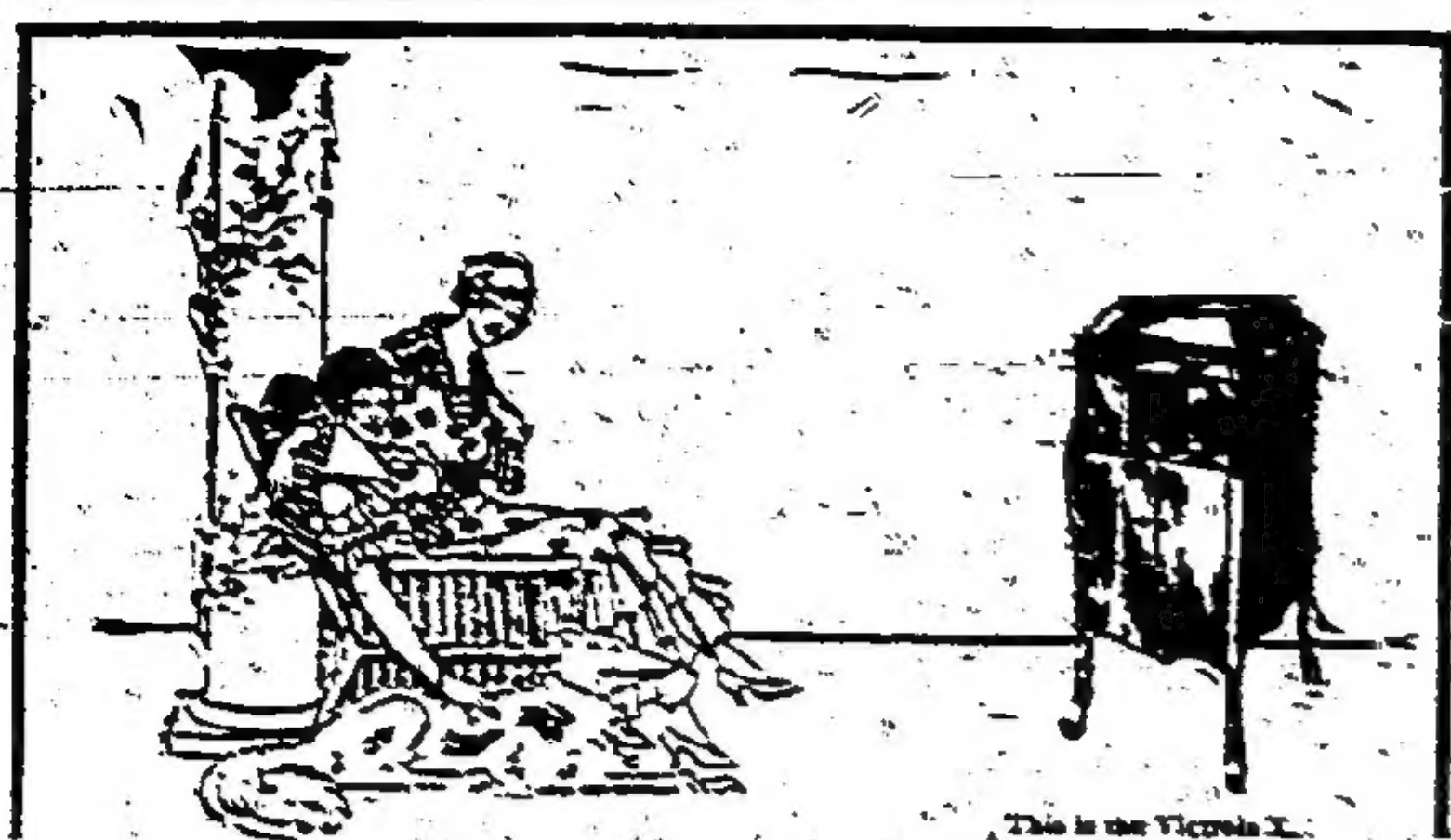
Shanghai as a Refuge.
At the Mixed Court yesterday the case against the Chinese charged in connection with the bomb-throwing case at the Daily Asiatic News office was concluded. The N. C. Daily News of last Saturday, Mr. M. M. M. who appeared on behalf of the Chinese Government, asked for the man to be handed over. The accused denied any knowledge of the affair, and stated that he was walking along Shantung Road when an explosion took place. He fell, and the next time he remembered anything was in the hospital. The accused was handed over to the Chinese authorities. Derivation of "Boche." "Un Poitevin" writes to a home paper, explaining the derivation of the now familiar term "Boches" used by the French originally, and now being plentifully adopted by the British, and perhaps other Allied armies, and in friendly neutral states. That correspondent says:—The word "Boche" is not a neologism. This word I myself used in France over 25 years ago, and its etymology is not far to seek. It is an abbreviation of "Alboche" ("Alboche") a compound slang word derived from "Allmand" and "caboche" (Latin caput), and hence tete d'Allemand—"a German head."

Lies by the Square Foot.
We have received says the *China Critic*, a copy of the German tri-weekly paper, published in English, called *The War*, published and edited by Herr Otto Selke, with German official funds in which is included, as a supplement to the paper, a copy of the cable service of *Der Ostasiatische Lloyd*, also in English. These papers are sent out broadcast to every part of China, free to all foreign neutrals, to all the Chinese officials, chambers of commerce, and leading institutions; and of course convey not only the German point of view, but as many fabrications as it is possible to crowd into the six pages of news and cables.

Compulsory Vaccination in Australia.
Melbourne, Nov. 6.—Following on the report of the Select Committee on Vaccination, of which he was chairman, Mr. O'Donnell gave notice in the Legislative Assembly yesterday of his intention to move for leave to introduce a bill for the abolition of compulsory vaccination in Victoria. The report of the committee was presented to Parliament last week. Members were not of one mind on the question of vaccination laws, but recommended that vaccination of children under two years of age should be prohibited, except in case of an epidemic; that the process be required before the age of five years; and that a conscientious clause should be enacted forthwith.

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A "CHALLENGE" TO THE BRITISH FLEET.

German Naval Officers' Dinner Talk.

New York, October 22, Karl von Wiegand, in the *New York World* to-day, gives a psychologically interesting account of the dinner talk of German officers "at sea," where, beneath the protection of Heligoland, they are challenging the British Navy to "come out of hiding" and fight. The account is treated humorously even by the editor of the *New York World*, who, in a leader, says he thinks it ought to arouse endless laughter in England.

The ships of the German Navy says the *World*, were found by our correspondent as snug as bugs in rugs under the guns of Wilhelmshaven. They are protected by the mainland fortifications, by mines in the sea, and by the outlying fortress of Heligoland. They are as secure against "commerce" as carved widders, and designedly so. With nearly all its colonies in the hands of the enemy, and its great High Fleet helplessly a prisoner in its own harbours, Germany may fairly be asked what kind of a comic opera challenge it is making.

The *World* refuses to suppress its laughter, even when von Wiegand, the captain of the *Moltke*, reiterates again that the British Fleet is twice as large as Germany's, and, therefore, it ought to seek out the German Fleet amid the maze of mines. The torpedoing of the *Moltke*. Von Wiegand gave von Wiegand an account of his "activities" in the North and Baltic Seas. First of all, he pulled out of his desk "a number of illustrated London papers with big pictures of the *Moltke* labelled 'sunk.' Wiegand, thus encouraged, asked how the *Moltke* was torpedoed.

The torpedo did not do us any real harm (answered Lovetsov). We were not in Eiga Bay that night, as reported. We were a considerable distance off there, steaming abreast of the Seydlitz, which was about 400 yards off on our port side. I was in the chart room behind the bridge when I heard the Seydlitz giving a warning. Before I reached the bridge there came a terrific explosion forward—an indescribable metallic ring or loud clang. A column of water, more than 75 ft. high, rose in the air and tumbled over the forward deck and bridge, drenching me and everybody around. The *Moltke* seemed to pause for a moment. The cruiser trembled and shook from stem to stern, like a dog shaking off water, and then plunged on again. The torpedo came from the other side of the Seydlitz. Evidently the submarine fired at that ship, missed it, and caught us in the bow.

It is too bad to destroy the British Commander's illustrations, or to detract from his alleged achievement, for which, I understand, he has been decorated, but truth is truth, and as you see yourself, my splendid battle cruiser did not sink, and the British will still have to reckon with the *Moltke* if we ever get a chance at them.

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Hongkong, 3rd December, 1915.

Von Lovetsov proceeded to relate to Wiegand, his version of "the Hartlepool raid" in December and the Dogger Bank battle on January 24.

The *Moltke*, together with the Seydlitz and the Blucher he said, was at Hartlepool, not Scarborough. Before the cruisers fired a shot the *Moltke* got a shell from the forts, which struck the battle cruiser and tore away several officers' cabins in the lightly protected part of the ship. That is convincing proof that Hartlepool is not an open unprotected, and undefended town as was widely heralded by the English.

Lovetsov added that four destroyers came out and attacked the squadron, and a torpedo passed between the Seydlitz and the *Moltke*. One destroyer was almost cut in two by the fire of the German cruiser and a second was badly damaged. The others fled.

The "Tiger" Sunk.

In the Dogger Bank battle, during which the Blucher was sunk, the *Moltke* was not once hit, but her deck was covered with splinters from the shells which fell all around. Lovetsov still insisted that the Tiger was sunk. He says his second gunnery officer and another reported sinking that ship, and their report was later "substantiated" by a destroyer and a Zepplin.

Wiegand ends by saying that German officers cherish no feeling of boastfulness towards England. One of the highest of them expressed his opinion in these words:—"Ship for ship, man for man, we believe our fleet better, but only the test can decide that, and we think that the officers and men of the British Fleet are just as desirous of that test and of a real action on the sea as we are. But we do think that the British Fleet being twice our size, it is up to them to come out and challenge us."—*Times.*

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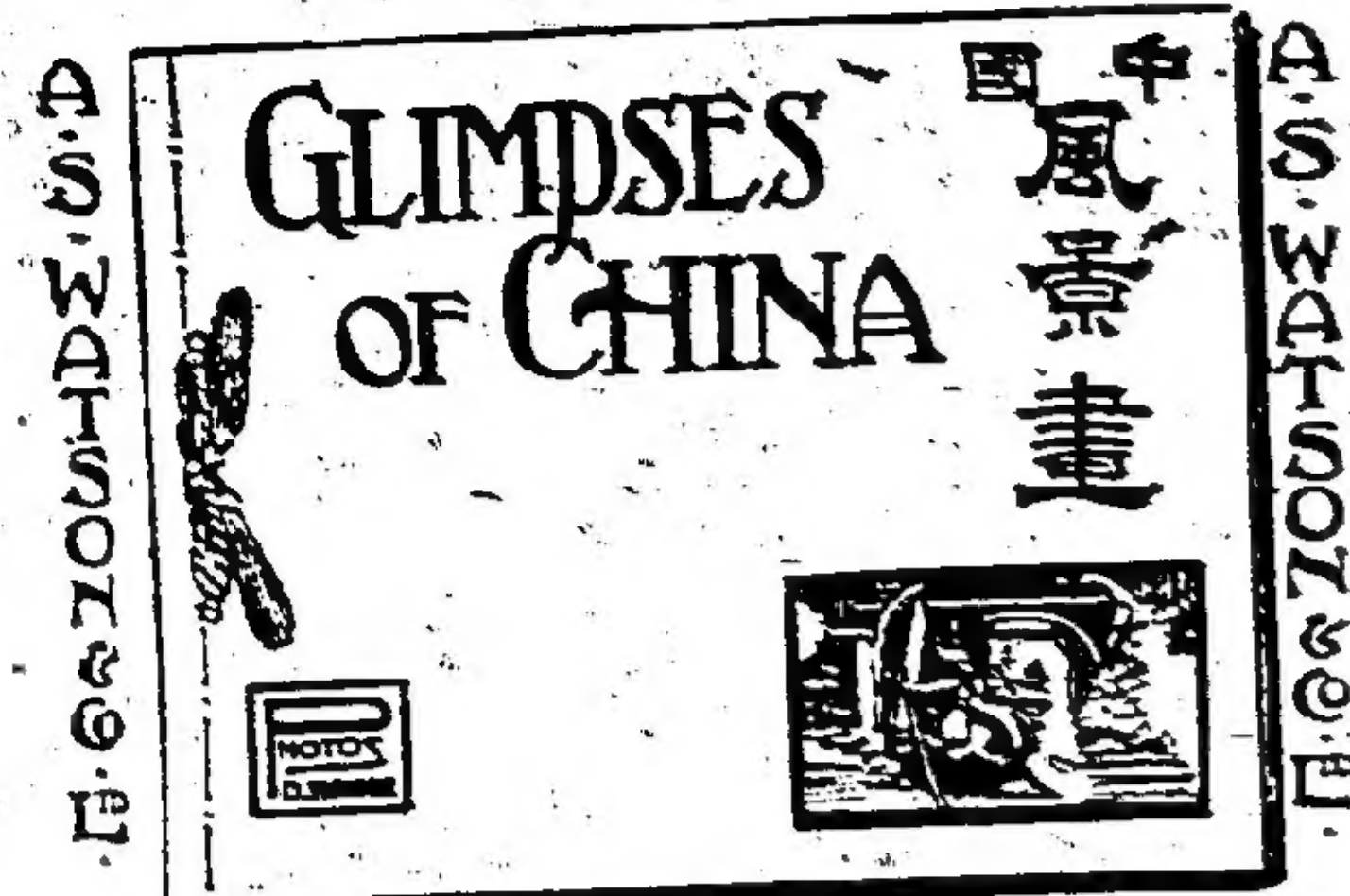
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PINHORN.—On November 1, at 8, Park Crescent, Oxford, the
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HOOPS.—On 28th November at Alor Star, Kedah, the wife of
A. L. Hoops, M. D., of a daughter.

DEATHS.

ALEXANDER.—On October 29, at Melville Abbey, Woking,
suddenly, Edward Matthew, son of the late John Alexander of
Glasgow, late of The Straits Trading Company, Limited, Singapore.
ARMSTRONG.—On December 1, at Wilkie Road, Singapore,
John Perham, infant son of Mr. and Mrs. G. Armstrong.
BYRNE.—On the 3rd December 1914 at Singapore, Mrs. Sarah
Byrne the beloved mother of Mr. John Byrne, aged 62 years.

The Hongkong Telegraph

HONGKONG, FRIDAY, DECEMBER 10, 1914.

SOUND ADVICE.

Wise words, which the younger generation of Indians will do well to take to heart, were uttered by the Aga Khan on the occasion of the meeting in Canton Hall at which reference was made to the death of that noted Parsee, Sir P. Mehta, very happily described as "the Chamberlain of India" and "the uncorrupted King of Bombay." In the course of a well-deserved tribute to a prominent native who possessed the best characteristics of his race and devoted his whole energies to the well-being of his country, the Aga Khan took the opportunity of imparting a little wholesome advice to the Indian Nationalists, drawing from the record of a well-lived life to bring his points home. His observations have a wide and general significance altogether apart from the connection in which they were used, and it will be worth while to take note of the main burden of the speech.

It is an unhappy circumstance for any people when its young men, having conceived a laudable desire to take an active part in politics, get carried off their feet by specious arguments which contain a sprinkling of reason and justice but which have their roots in half-truths and superficiality. We have seen that point painfully demonstrated at Home, in China and in a hundred and one other centres. And it has often been forced upon our attention by happenings in India. The Aga Khan had this aspect of Indian life in mind when he pointed out that the youth who ranges himself on the side of the extremist is doing the greatest disservice to his country and is in reality putting back the clock of progress—in short, that he is defeating his own expressed desire. The danger which is inherent in such activity as these folk display is that they become, as the Aga Khan aptly put it, "prematurely ambitious to shine in the political firmament." And, being beguiled and flattered by unscrupulous agitators, they develop, after starting out with the best of intentions, into sour and discontented counterparts of their revolutionary leaders. They have not had the sobering influence of age behind them and they fall a ready prey to cheap catch-words which take no count of the sternly practical side of national development and progress.

There is, for example, the eternal grievance that the people have no voice, or very little, in the government of the country—a cry which ignores the truth that there has been a steady and well-regulated advance towards the desired goal. It would probably surprise many of these young Indians to learn that the white populations in our Crown Colonies, though heavily taxed, have absolutely no voice in public affairs whatsoever. There are well-founded grievances in India, we have no doubt. There is no State on earth where anomalies do not persist. But these will gradually disappear with the spread of sound principles. If the student young reformer would serve his race and time—whether he be Britisher, Indian, Chinese or what not—let him devote himself to studying the historical movements of the past, leave large, unwieldy issues alone and apply his energies to the real betterment of his particular city, town or village—in a word, to practice local patriotism. Thus will he best serve his day and generation.

Educating the Educated.

The "educated" Chinese who thought he had a perfect right to loiter in a public thoroughfare listening to a street preacher, and to refuse to obey the instructions of the police to "move on," was made to pay dearly for his beliefs yesterday when Mr. Lindsell fined him twenty-five dollars. We have no idea as to what the preacher was discussing upon—was suppose the subject was not the evils of expectation, since the police were anxious to disperse the gathering—but it is apparent that the crowd was obstructing the thoroughfare and that the defendant imagined he could flout the police when the latter sought to scatter the mob. His tale in Court, that the crowd was so big that he could not move on, strongly contrasted with his arrogant attitude towards the Police Reserve officer, but the excuse was too transparent for the magistrate to take any heed of it. Mr. Lindsell read him a nice little homily when he informed him that it was time he knew that he could not take upon himself the right to disregard police orders, and, after the sentence which was meted out, we wonder that the "educated" one will hardly dare to think that he is a law unto himself any more. Once again we commend Mr. Lindsell for his determination to keep the Chinese in their right and proper place.

Chinese Guilds.

Those who remember the strike of ricksha coolies in Hongkong some few years back will have read with interest the account which we published yesterday of a similar occurrence in Shanghai. The strikes did not originate in the same way, for here the cause was an objection on the part of the coolies to having the legal fares prominently posted on their rickshas, whereas in Shanghai it was merely a matter of a dispute between the coolies and the ricksha owners. Both instances serve, however, to show the power wielded by Chinese Guilds—institutions which practice Trade Unionism in its most violent form. As in Hongkong, so in Shanghai, it is not a case of Guild members acting as they see fit. There is no liberty of action allowed. The individual has to go on strike whether he desires to or not. Thus we have had "black-legging" activities in full swing in Shanghai—strikers smashing up the rickshas of their comrades who are quite content to ply for hire. The same sort of thing has been seen in operation here in Hongkong time and again, and, despite the powers conferred by the Societies Ordinance, the authorities have not yet discovered any effective means of breaking the power of these pernicious organizations. That power must be smashed if we wish to prevent history from repeating itself.

The Home Unions.

While on this subject, it is interesting to take note of the telegram just to hand from Home to the effect that the most important Trade Union Conference ever held has agreed to establish "a triple industrial alliance" between miners, railwaymen and transport workers. This step has been fore-shadowed for some time, and nobody will therefore be surprised to learn of the decision. Trade Unionism, if it were only operated on sound and just lines, would have everything to recommend it, but in view of the average working man's conception of the function of his Union we may be forgiven if we regard this new alliance as a sinister move. Pure, undiluted selfishness and greed lie at the bottom of most of these movements. In which respect there is mighty little to choose between Trade Union practices at Home and the operations of the Chinese Guilds with which we are so familiar.

CRICKET.

The following will represent K.C.C. "B" against the University C.C. on the Kowloon ground at 2.15 p.m. on Saturday:—Dr. C. Forsyth, J. P. Robinson, Major J. A. Robertson, A. A. Claxton, J. V. Bragg, D. J. McKenzie, S. E. Green, P. W. A. Wilkie, H. Overly, K. McLennan and A. W. E. Davidson.

DAY BY DAY.

SHALL I ASK THE BRAVE SOLDIER WHO FIGHTS BY MY SIDE IN THE CAUSE OF MANKIND, IF OUR CREEDS AGREE?—Moore.

The Weather.

At the Peak 8 a.m. Temp. 51; Lower level 8 a.m. Temp. 61; rain.

The Mails.

Siberian Mail.—Due to-day per a.s. Liangshan.
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American and Canadian Mails.—Closes to-morrow per a.s. Shinyo Maru at 11 a.m.
French Mail.—Closes to-morrow per a.s. Polyneesian at 4 p.m.
Australian Mail.—Closes to-morrow per a.s. Tatyuan at 4 p.m.
Australian Mail.—Due to-morrow per a.s. Nikko Maru.

Up to the Minute.

No change.

The Dollar.

The rate of the dollar on demand to-day is 1/1 3/16.

To-morrow's Anniversary.

To-morrow is the 32nd anniversary of the death of Richard Doyle, the famous Punch artist.

Sailing Date Altered.

The date of sailing of the K. P. M. steamer Jacob has been altered to the 30th inst.

Loss of Valuable Paying Voucher.

A man named Wan San-sang has reported to the police that he has lost a paying voucher to the value of \$1,000.

Raub Output.

Messrs. Wright and Hornby hear by cable from Singapore that the Raub output for the past four weeks is 1,170 oz. of gold.

Auction Sale.

At his sales rooms at 11 a.m. to-morrow, Mr. G. P. Lammert is selling by auction a Climax oil engine, a dynamo and nine large steel safes.

A Trust Betrayed.

A Chinese named See Wing-leung, of 9, Peking Road, Kowloon, entrusted \$2,400 with a man named Lam Yau-king who has absconded with the money.

An Absconding Accountant.

A Chinese named Wang Sui has laid a report at the Police Station that he gave his accountant \$325 with which to pay a bill, and that the man has gone away with the money.

Theft from a Cabin.

Mr. E. Sanders an engineer on the a.s. Eye Long, which is at the present time lying in the docks at Kowloon, has informed the police that some person entered his cabin and stole from an unlocked drawer the sum of \$300 in Singapore notes.

Still Waiting.

In reference to a case that was before the Police Judge this morning for a day to be fixed for hearing, Mr. Hind said that he had been trying to get that case on for the last six months. It was part-heard in July last, and was fixed for yesterday. Mr. Goldring, who represented the other side, said that he had been waiting for the return of Mr. Seib, who was due back about January. His Lordship set down December 20 for the case to be heard.

ALLEGED ENEMY TRADING.

The Toyō Kisen Kaisha Charged.

Before Mr. Hazeland, at the Police Court this morning, the Toyō Kisen Kaisha were charged by Inspector M. O'Sullivan with trading with F. Albert, a German subject resident in Canton, by obtaining one package for transmission by the a.s. Dairin Maru.

Mr. G. N. Orme, of the Crown Solicitor's Office, appeared for the prosecution. The defendant firm was represented by Mr. Shephard, who put in a plea of not guilty and stated that they admitted handling the goods, but declared ignorance of the fact that the owner was a German.

The case was adjourned for a week.

NOTES ON THE CRISIS.

RECRUITING ACTIVITY.

No Separate Parce.

We should imagine that the enemy must now have discovered that there is nothing doing in the separate peace line. That he thought at one time that it would be possible to get the private ear of each individual member of the Entente and so talk his opponents out, there can be no doubt; but in every case his overtures have been received with the contempt which is their due. Mr. Asquith now tells us enough to show that, having failed at the separate proposals game, the enemy may soon, in all likelihood, offer to discuss the question of a general peace. We should have preferred slightly different wording for the Premier's remarks, but we take comfort from the reflection that there are other people besides our own somewhat tender-hearted countrymen who will have a voice in the settlement of affairs. There will be plenty of fools at Home ready to advise Mr. Asquith to take up the "kiss and befriend" attitude, and he will need all the firmness that is in him to enable him to resist temptation. That the temptation to accept less than the pound of flesh will be very great there is no denying. All of us are desperately tired of the war; all look back with longing to the old easy-going days when there was no call for self-denial and no danger or hardship for those deacons.

The Empire's Honour.

Yet, if there is any moral worth left in the British people—and thank God there is—they will fight to the very last against such a dangerous doctrine as peace at any price, which, in this case, is going to be as nearly as possible equivalent to "call it a draw." If the honour of our Empire is to be preserved there must be no suggestion whatever of "draw" about the negotiations. From what has been said in New York it seems clear that, as long as possible, Germany will cling to the idea that somebody has to be victimised before hostilities can be abandoned. Doubtless she will fall back on the assassinations which ostensibly led to the war, and will seek to have Serbia made the scapegoat. Here she can hardly hope to score, for it is characteristic of our people (in spite of all the rubbish that has been talked by enemies and neutrals about the graspingness of the British temperament) that, nationally, we are more ready to sacrifice ourselves than our neighbours. In this direction, then, we may take it that Germany will draw a blank. The Premier's knowledge of German nature should tell him that, if our enemy is met with inexorable firmness, the concessions will all be on his side and that there will be no need for yielding on our part.

Recruiting at Home.

The new recruiting rush is a tremendous testimony to the pluck and perseverance of Lord Derby and his colleagues, and, if it continues long, we shall indeed feel that the nation has expressed itself finally on the vexed matter of conscription. Roster tells us that the recruiting on Wednesday "broke all records" and that clerks, doctors, etc. were unable to cope with the difficulty of attending to the applicants. Thousands were waiting to be examined and the police were kept busy regulating the crowds. Better late than never. If conscription had had to come at a time like this, the implied disgrace would have stuck to the nation for all time. Conscription in France, Switzerland, etc. is just a question of the custom of the country, and there is no more discredit attached to it than to compulsory vaccination or education at Home. But conscription in England would be quite another matter, especially should it come after the nation has been at war for the best part of a year and a half. If it comes for us, the only possible inference is that we are a set of cowards who have to be kicked into the battlefield before we will stir to defend the Empire of which we profess to be so proud.

JAPANESE FOREIGN POLICY.

The Chinese Question and the War.

Mr. S. Imai, Consul-General for Japan, kindly forwards us the following translation of the speech made by Baron Ishii, the Minister for Foreign Affairs, at the Imperial Diet on the 7th instant.

Gentlemen.—I feel it a great honour to state to you here in this House the development of our diplomatic relations since the last session of the Diet.

It is a matter for gratification that our relations with the European Allies are becoming more and more close and that the bond of friendship with the other countries is likewise being strengthened. That these friendly relations of the world so heartily participated in the recent national celebration of the Accession to the Throne of our Emperor has naturally been most gratefully appreciated by the whole nation.

In the neighbouring Republic the movement for changing its form of government and rejoining the Monarchical regime recently made such progress that its realization seemed impending. The Imperial Government, after the most deliberate consideration of the situation, and in full concurrence with the other nations interested, decided to tender a friendly advice to China for the postponement of the contemplated change of government which decision was executed by our representative in Peking as was made public at the time. It was desirable that at a moment when the devastation of the European war was as terrible as could be any state of affairs that any movement which was in the least degree calculated to give rise to fresh disturbances of peace should be vigilantly suppressed. The new movement in China aimed at just such a state of affairs, for though to all appearance the monarchical scheme seemed to be received with general favour, there were indications that the undercurrent of opposition and disturbance was more profound and wide-reaching than was anticipated. It was feared that if the scheme should be realised, in the face of all these disquieting circumstances, not merely the internal peace and order of China, only so recently established, would be destroyed, but the peace of the Far East would consequently be endangered and disadvantages resulting therefrom to the nations interested directly and indirectly in China, especially to Japan, which is so closely connected with China, would be incalculable. In taking the step above mentioned, the Imperial Government, so far from entertaining any selfish design against China, or any purpose of interfering in her internal affairs, was only actuated by the most sincere desire for the maintenance of peace and order in China and the quietude of the East. The Imperial Government only did what her sense of duty prompted for the promotion of the interests of both China and other countries interested.

Our representative in Peking, in execution of the instruction of the Imperial Government, presented the aforesaid advice in co-operation with the Ministers of Great Britain, Russia and France. The Italian Government also took the same step of her own accord a few days later. The full text of China's reply to the advice of these states was published on the 4th of November. As the wording of the reply was circumlocutions and its purport ambiguous, the Imperial Government demanded whether the Chinese Government meant to accept the advice or not. The reply to this was made confidentially and I regret not to be at liberty to publish it here to lay, beyond stating that it expresses the opinion of the Chinese Government that the realisation of the monarchical regime would of necessity be delayed for some time. As to the next step to be taken by the Imperial Government in this question, I am not yet in a position to say anything here, the negotiation with the Powers interested not having come to a head.

The Imperial Government has expressly acceded to the London Declaration signed in London on the 5th of September last year by Great Britain, France and Russia

A YEAR AGO TO-DAY.

LEADING EVENTS IN THE GREAT WAR.

Extracts from the war news contained in the "Hongkong Telegraph" of December 10, 1914.

Official Message.

"Nawa has been received from reliable sources that the German cruisers Scharnhorst, Gneisenau and Leipzig have been sunk in a naval action near the Falkland Islands."

Beyers' Tragic End.

During a short engagement on the banks of the Vaal, Beyers with others endeavoured to cross the river. Beyers fell from his horse, drifted down the stream and disappeared under the water. It is believed that he was wounded earlier in the fight.

Gold Coast's Fine Loyalty.

Correspondence relating to War Gifts by the Dominions and Colonies is published to-night and forms a most impressive volume on the Empire's loyalty. The Council of the Gold Coast resolved to defray the cost of the capture of Togoland, £80,000 and further voted £80,000 as a contribution to the Imperial war expenses in 1915.

The Allies' New Plans.

According to Dutch papers, the Allies' Fleet on Monday resumed the bombardment of the Belgian coast to support the advance from Mamekensvere towards Ostend. The Dutch papers continue to report considerable movements of German troops; they say 58,000 fresh troops are shortly expected at Antwerp, where an attempt by the Allies to re-take the city is anticipated.

Great Serbian Successes.

A Serbian communique issued at Nish says that the Serbian Army has assumed a fierce offensive along the entire front and the enemy is retreating everywhere, leaving many prisoners and guns and great quantities of war material. We captured at one place 2,000 men and the Colours and Band of the 22nd Regiment.

An Awkward Reminder for Austria.

Sig. Giolitti, formerly Prime Minister of Italy, in the course of a speech, said that in August, 1913, Austria, in accord with Germany, communicated to Italy her intention of attacking Serbia and invoking Italian aid under the terms of the Triple Alliance. Italy pointed out to Germany and Austria that it was not a *casse facienda*. This is further proof that the coup had been arranged long before the assassination of the Archduke.

agreeing that none of the contracting Powers should independently conclude peace nor use for any terms of peace without the concurrence of the other Powers. In default of any agreement between these states concerning the conclusion of peace, the necessity of a declaration of the nature stated above was imperative, but in the case of Great Britain and Japan, the provision of Art. II of the Alliance Treaty superseded any such new agreement, as was explained by Baron Kato, the then Minister of Foreign Affairs, in this House last year. The three Powers, however, approached this Government to formally accede to the Declaration of London. And the Imperial Government instructed the Ambassador in London to exchange documents for the accession to the agreement with the Secretary of Foreign Affairs of Great Britain and the French and Russian Ambassadors in London on the 19th November, for although it was the natural result of the Anglo-Japanese Alliance and the Declaration of London that Japan should be bound to conclude peace only in accordance with the other Powers, no formal accession to the Declaration would have the effect of pressing to the outer world the firm resolution and the close union of the Allied Powers in defining more clearly the relations of the various Powers in the event of the conclusion of peace. The Italian Government also decided to accede to the Declaration and on the 30th November the declaration for accession was signed in London by the Government of Japan, Great Britain, Russia, France, Italy, the text of which was published on the 6th instant.

ST. FRANCIS' SCHOOL.

THE PRIZE DISTRIBUTION
MR. RALPHS' SPEECH.

At the distribution of prizes to the pupils of St. Francis' School (Italian Convent, Wanchai Branch) took place in St. Patrick's Hall (by kind permission of the O'Connell Women's League) yesterday afternoon. Evidence was not wanting to prove that the school is a progressive institution and one that is well patronised by parents of the district. The chair was occupied by Mr. E. Ralphs, Inspector of English Schools, he being accompanied by Bishop Proulx, and Father De Maria (head-master).

A very satisfactory report on the work of the school (which was published in last night's *Telegraph*) was read by Father De Maria. Mr. Ralphs afterwards handing the prizes gained to the successful students.

In the course of a helpful speech Mr. Ralphs said:—"I know a large number of schools, each of them the finest in the world, in the opinion of the pupils attending it, and I hope that you, the girls of the St. Francis' School all feel quite sure that your school is certainly the finest in Hongkong, at least if not in the world. I want you to be proud of your school, but at the same time you must make sure that the school can be proud of you, proud of your success, in lessons and in play, within the school and out of it; proud of your conduct when with your teachers and when with strangers, proud of your success in after-life when you have left school for the world."

Many of you have just received prizes in token of good work done in school; to these fortunate children we all tender our congratulations, but I hope you will remember that although all cannot win prizes, all can strive to deserve them. And I know that many of you who have not got prizes have done a great deal of good honest work in school, and the satisfaction of having done one's duty in that way is itself a rich reward. Having given this advice to the pupils, may I now venture to do something which I have no doubt some of the girls before me would dearly love to do at times, that is, offer a few words of advice to parents and teachers.

I am sure you will all join me in congratulating Father De Maria, and the Head Mistress, and her able staff upon the progress made by St. Francis' School during recent years. Father De Maria has shown in his report how the attendance has steadily increased, until at the end of the school year in June last the maximum monthly enrolment was 130 and the average daily attendance 111. When the attendance at a school increases in this way, it is a fairly sure indication that it is doing good work and that the education given is appreciated by the parents of the pupils.

As to the character of the education given at St. Francis' School, I am in a position to speak from personal knowledge, as I inspected the school some little time ago, and saw all the children present, an increase of 30 upon the previous year. The Kindergarten and Beginners' Classes were distinctly good. The Handwork done by the children in these Classes was very clever and I was pleased to see how interested the tiny pupils were in their work. As I progressed through the school, I found the work generally very satisfactory.

History in Class 4 was particularly good, the girls readily answering questions in what was obviously their favourite subject. In Classes 5 and 4 Recitation was good, and selections from "King John" and current war poetry were delivered with great spirit. Throughout the school, however, great attention needs to be given to the pronunciation of English. In this connection the Education Department has urged that an English Mistress be added to the staff. Let me hasten to give an assurance that no reflection is intended thereby upon the energy and skill of the Mistresses who have laboured so successfully at the school, but it is obvious that the English language can be taught best by

an English teacher. I have discussed the matter with Father De Maria, who entirely agrees with the principle but finds it difficult of accomplishment. He has tried to get Sisters from England, but failed. He has tried, too, the experiment of sending Italian Sisters to England for a course of training, but here again he was unsuccessful, for the Sisters fell sick, owing, as they reported, to the "evil climate of England, and the unaccustomed food." So we can only wait for happier times and hope that when the war is over, Father De Maria will renew his efforts to obtain a Mistress from England, and that he will then be successful.

I should like to see the older girls taught cookery. This is being done in one of the Girls' Schools in the Colony, and the results have been gratifying in every way. I have already spoken to Father De Maria on the subject, and I hope that next year a class will be started. Then again the course in hygiene might be modified, less attention being devoted to definitions and written expositions which may or may not be understood by the writers, and more given to practical work; for instance the treatment of cuts and bruises and the elements of sick nursing might be imparted to the senior girls, more especially as there is a small hospital attached to the school.

I have spoken a lot of subjects of interest to you, and it is well indeed that the children have been successful in their studies. But I wish now to refer to the tone and discipline of the school, far more important than mere book-learning. I have already said that I found all the children happy and interested in their work; I am pleased to be able to add that prompt and willing obedience was a noticeable feature throughout the school. Too great importance cannot be attached to this, as on the careful training of character in youth depend the happiness and success of mature years. There is nowadays a regrettable tendency to think only of giving pleasure and gratification to children, allowing them to follow their own sweet will, to ignore the claims of duty, obedience and self-control, to think only of their present enjoyment rather than their future happiness. It seems to be forgotten that life's lessons of discipline have to be learned sooner or later; it is not better in every way that they should be learned through the wise and careful training of teachers and parents than that the child should go into the world unprepared for its trials? The lessons that experience of the world will then teach will be far harder and far harsher than any that can be taught in the school-room.

At the same time, we must strive to make our children happy. I think it was Ruskin who said: "The girl grows as a flower does; she will wither without sun." Let us bring happiness to our children by all means, but let it be true happiness, consistent with order, discipline and usefulness. Let us indeed even train them to find happiness in little acts of unselfishness and self-denial, in giving pleasure and loving help to others. Trained in this way, our daughters will grow up "as polished corners of the temple," unselfish of self, useful and honored members of the community.

To teachers and parents present this afternoon I would like to read an extract from an address by Bishop Weldon. He said: "When I was the headmaster of a great Public School I was wont to ask myself: What is the highest object which I am in duty bound to set before my eyes? Is it to produce athletes or scholars? Is it to ensure in my pupils health, or good manners, or what is called *savoir faire*, or knowledge of the world, or aesthetic taste, or intellectual distinction? Or—often as I put the question, the answer borne in, as it were, upon my soul was ever the same: no one of these ends, desirable as they are and honourable in themselves, should be the supreme object of the schoolmaster's or the schoolmistress's endeavour; their supreme object is to produce good citizens—men and women who will play their part in life justly, skillfully, and magnanimously," as Milton says—good fathers and mothers,

TELEGRAMS.

OBITUARY.

MR. STEPHEN PHILLIPS.

(Sender's Service To The "Telegraph.") Received December 10.
The death is announced of Mr. Stephen Phillips, one of the greatest modern British dramatists, who will especially be remembered by his "Paolo and Francesca," and "Ulysses."

TRADE UNION ALLIANCE

London, Received December 10.
The most important Trade Union Conference ever held has formally agreed to the establishment of a triple industrial alliance of miners, railwaymen and transport workers.

[In the event of telegrams arriving too late for insertion on this page they will be found on the Extra.]

EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

INDIAN CIVIL SERVICE.

London, Received December 9.
In the House of Commons, Sir Benjamin Roberts asked whether at least one Indian representative would be included on the Civil Service Selection Committee.

Mr. Austen Chamberlain replied that he did not think the committee would be required until the war was over, or that it would be to the interest of anyone to settle its composition until the circumstances with which they had to deal were better known.

JAPAN AND CHINA.

London, Received December 9.
A message from Tokyo says that the Foreign Minister in a speech before the Diet said: China's reply to our representations with reference to the monarchical movement being ambiguous, we enquired whether it implied acceptance of the advice tendered. I regret that the reply is confidential, but I may say that some delay in the execution of the scheme is contemplated and that the matter is now being discussed by the Powers interested.

Good husbands and wives, good patriots, good citizens. That is the true educational end and because it is so, the criterion of a teacher's success is not what his pupils are at the age of 13 or 15 or 19 or 21 years of age, but how they acquit themselves as men and women in the responsible arena of mature life.

The great struggle in which we are now engaged makes it all the more necessary that our children should be steadily trained in that prompt obedience, that self-control, that self-surrender in the service of others which is now being held up before the world as glorious examples in the heroic stories which reach us about our men at the front; they should be steadily trained that they may bravely bear their part in the sterner times that are before us, when life will become harder and more strenuous, when more than ever it will be necessary to sacrifice self, to bear one another's burdens. (Applause.)

During the evening the pupils of the school gave an enjoyable programme, the first being the pianoforte quartette *Walzer Appassionato* (J. Hentschmann), rendered by the Misses A. Comdeiro, A. Limal, B. Rodrigues and Master S. Ramon. The rest of the programme was as follows:—Recitation "A Soldier's Letter to his Son," Misses L. Wilkinson and V. Langeberg.

Kindergarten Game "Bees and Flowers." Accompanied by Miss J. Ramos, Miss A. Goulding and 22 children.
March "Roma" (Bocconi) 8 hands: Misses J. Ramos, A. Comdeiro and L. and R. Tam.
Recitation "The Spoilt Boy," Master S. Ramon.
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LOG BOOK.

The Bury Clyde shipbuilders launched seven merchant vessels, aggregating about 26,000 tons, during October. The total for the past 10 months slightly exceeds 200,000 tons. The corresponding total last year was double.

China Coast Gazette. Mr. J. G. Foster, second officer, Peking, has gone second officer, Chennan.

Mr. J. Harvey, second officer, Yingchow, is on reserve. Mr. D. T. James, from reserve, has gone second officer, Yingchow.

Mr. C. R. Mechem, from reserve, has gone chief officer, Nankin.

Mr. F. G. Wedlock, chief officer, Nankin, has gone chief officer, Tamsui. Mr. W. B. Pason, acting chief officer, Tamsui, is on reserve.

Mr. J. Gray has been appointed second officer, Tuckwa.

Mr. J. Cartwright, from reserve, has gone second officer, Lianshing. Mr. F. Sanderson, second officer, Lianshing, is awaiting orders.

Mr. G. MacMannus, second officer, Kwangshai, has resigned. Mr. M. McLennan, second officer, Kwangshai, has resigned. Mr. N. Nims, second officer, Kwangshai, has gone second officer, Feiching.

Captain A. S. Malcolm, master, Kiangtung, is transferred to Hongkong.

Captain J. M. Millar, master, Kiangtung, has gone master, Kiangtung.

Mr. F. McLaren, chief officer, Onlee, has resigned.

Mr. J. H. van Den Berg has been appointed chief officer, Onlee.

Mr. F. McLaren has been appointed chief officer, Sissiman.

Mr. T. Crispin, chief officer, Taishan, has gone master, Hoising.

Mr. J. P. Summerville, second officer, Kinshan, has gone chief officer, Taishan.

Captain W. S. Stalker, of the Moresby, has gone master, Manapouri. Captain J. Jamieson, of the Manapouri, has gone master, Moresby.

Mr. T. Cook has been appointed chief officer, Shengping—Shipping and Engineering.

Reduction Gear for Battleships. Some of the innovations in the new U. S. battleships are of the greatest importance, and second only in interest to the employment of electric propulsion in the California is the adoption of mechanical reduction gear in the 31,000-ton battleships Pennsylvania and Arizona, both of which are to be completed next year.

These are quadruple-screw turbine vessels, the former being equipped with Curtis machines and the latter with those of the Parsons type. The two inner propellers are driven by the main high-pressure turbines, whilst each wing propeller shaft is coupled to main low-pressure ahead and astern turbines in the after engine-room, and to a high-pressure cruising turbine in the forward engine-room driving the shaft through a reduction gear. When the vessel is steaming under full power, the cruising turbines are not in use and the couplings between them and the low-pressure turbines are disconnected. Under cruising conditions the steam passes first into each cruising turbine, then through the main high-pressure turbine nearest it (which thus becomes an intermediate pressure turbine), and finally to the low-pressure turbine to which it is coupled. By this means it is thought that great economy will be effected, since the cruising turbines are designed specially as high speed machines running at 2,500 r.p.m. in the case of the Arizona and 1,850 r.p.m. in the Pennsylvania, whilst the maximum speed after reduction is 192 r.p.m. and 129 r.p.m. respectively. With this combination the efficiency of a high-speed turbine is gained together with that of a low-speed propeller. In the Arizona the tower of the cruising turbine is 2,000 h.p. and in the Pennsylvania 1,800 h.p. The gears have been built by the Westinghouse Company, and the weight of each is in the neighbourhood of 10 tons. They are provided with floating frames, which it is claimed render the pressure uniform on all the teeth under all conditions of load.

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SPORE, Pang & Calcutta Laisang		Mon. 13th Dec. at 3 p.m.
SANDAKAN	Hinsang	Tues. 14th Dec. at noon
SHANGHAI	Kwongsang	Wed. 15th Dec. at 4 light
SPORE, Pang & Calcutta Yatsing		Wed. 15th Dec. at 3 p.m.
HAIPHONG	Taksang	Thur. 16th Dec. at 8 a.m.
SHANGHAI	Yusang	Fri. 17th Dec. at 4 light
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London & M'les. via S'pore etc.	Kamo M.	N. Y. K.	16. Dec.
London and Bombay	Namor	P. & O.	16. Dec.
London and Hull	Kioto	B. L. L.	18. Dec.
London & Marseilles via Ports	Kashima M.	N. Y. K.	30. Dec.
London & Bombay	Nankin	P. & O.	30. Dec.
Marseilles via Saigon & Ports	Athos.	P. Thomas	8. Jan.

NEW YORK, SAN FRANCISCO AND CANADA

San Francisco via M'la & Japan &c.	Nippon M.	T. K. K.	14. Dec.
Victoria, B.C., & Seattle etc.	Tamba M.	N. Y. K.	14. Dec.
Victoria, B.C., & Ports	Canada M.	O. S. K.	16. Dec.
Victoria, B.C., & Seattle	Y'hama M.	N. Y. K.	23. Dec.
San Fco via Manila & Japan &c.	Shinyo M.	T. K. K.	23. Dec.
San Francisco & American Ports	Kiyo M.	T. K. K.	8. Jan.
San Francisco	Arakan	J.C.J.L.	9. Jan.
Victoria, B.C., & Seattle etc.	Sato M.	N. Y. K.	11. Jan.
Boston & New York	Kathlamby	B. L. L.	15. Jan.
San Fco via S'hai & Japan etc.	Chiyo M.	T. K. K.	25. Jan.
San Fco via S'hai & Japan etc.	Persia M.	T. K. K.	31. Jan.
San Francisco	Ijondari	J.C.J.L.	9. Feb.
San Fco via Manila & Japan &c.	Iwyo M.	T. K. K.	15. Feb.
San Fco via S'hai & Japan &c.	Dairen M.	T. K. K.	3. Mar.
San Francisco	Karimoen	J.C.J.L.	9. Mar.
San Francisco	Tjikembang	J.C.J.L.	9. Apr.

AUSTRALIA.

Australian Ports via Manila	Taiwan	B. & S.	11. Dec.
Sydney & Melbourne via Manila	Taiwan	N. Y. K.	14. Dec.
Australian Ports via Manila	St. Albans	G. L. Co.	18. Dec.
Australian Ports via Manila	Empire	G. L. Co.	3. Jan.
Sydney & Melbourne via Manila	Nikko M.	N. Y. K.	14. Jan.
Australian Ports via Manila	Changsha	B. & S.	21. Jan.
Australian Ports via Manila	Eastern	G. L. Co.	31. Jan.
Sydney & Melbourne via Manila	Aldenhay	G. L. Co.	21. Feb.
Sydney & Melbourne via Manila	Hitachi M.	N. Y. K.	Feb.

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Manila	Yuensang	J. M. Co.	11. Dec.
Tamsui via Swatow & Amoy	Daijia M.	O. S. K.	12. Dec.
Shanghai via Foochow	Wingsang	J. M. Co.	12. Dec.
Nagasaki, Kobe and Yokohama	Nikko M.	N. Y. K.	14. Dec.
Shanghai	Chenan	B. & S.	14. Dec.
Bombay via S'pore & Ports	Sumo M.	O. S. K.	15. Dec.
Shanghai, Kobe & Yokohama	Athos	P. Thomas	15. Dec.
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Shanghai	Tjikembang	J.C.J.L.	30. Dec.
Shanghai, Kobe & Moji	Itola	D. S. & Co.	21. Dec.
Singapore, Calcutta etc.	Kaga M.	N. Y. K.	25. Dec.
Shanghai, Kobe and Yokohama	Porthos	P. Thomas	31. Dec.
Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Thama	Nellore	P. & O.	1. Jan.
Singapore & Bombay	Penang M.	N. Y. K.	3. Jan.
Belawan Deli (Medan)	"Van S."	J.C.J.L.	4. Jan.
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VESSELS IN PORT.

Steamers.

Hermes, Dec. 11. 2,311. R.V. Japt. 3rd Dec.
—Balk. Japan, 24th ult. —oil
—A. P. C.

Haruwa, Br. s.s. J. G. Smith, 4th Dec.—
Singapore, 24th ult. Gen.—Order.

Canada Maru, Jap. s.s. 3,545. T. Sorensen, 5th
Dec.—Shanghai, 2nd Dec.—Gen.—
O.S.K.

Nippon Maru, Jap. s.s. 2,965. H. S. Smith,
6th Dec.—San Francisco, 6th ult.
Gen.—T. K. K.

Kumsang, Br. s.s. 3,236. N. Knight, 6th
Dec.—Singapore, 20th ult. Gen.—
J. M. & Co.

Taiwan, Br. s.s. 3,300. K. R. Hamilton, 6th
Dec.—Australia, 16th ult. Gen.—
B. & S.

Chosen Maru, Jap. s.s. 1,800. Y. Yamone,
6th Dec.—Java, 24th ult. Super.—
O.S.K.

Albay, Am. s.s. 575. E. Yarnall, 6th Dec.—
Manila, 1st Dec. Gen.—Order.

Fromthine, No. s.s. 1,024. C. O. Hosen,
7th Dec.—Bangkok, 27th ult. Gen.—
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Chosen, 1st Dec. Gen.—Chinese.

Selin, Norw. s.s. 855. D. Hentzen, 8th
Dec.—Bangkok, 19th ult. Super.—
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Chonan, Br. s.s. 1,330. E. T. Toeben, 8th
Dec.—Shanghai, Gen.—B. & S.

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Dec.—Kobe, 4th Dec. Gen.—J. M.

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Dec.—Singapore, 14th Dec. Gen.—
Chinese.

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N. Y. K.	Yokohama Maru	13,500	Dec. 13	Yokohama
N. Y. K.	Tango Maru	21,000	Dec. 13	Yokohama
N. Y. K.	Sawa Maru	6,457	Dec. 13	London
B. & S.	Yangtze	16,000	Dec. 15	Yokohama
N. Y. K.	Kamo Maru	8,809	Dec. 15	London
P. & O.	Gledagan	6,634	Dec. 16	Yokohama
P. & O.	Namor	4,730	Dec. 16	New York
S. T. & Co.	Kioto	4,495	Dec. 18	Australia
G. L. & Co.	Empire		Dec. 18	London
P. & O.	Novara	22,000	Dec. 20	San Francisco
T. K. K.	Shinyo Maru	6,608	Dec. 23	London
B. & S.	Hyson	4,543	Dec. 24	Yokohama
B. & S.	Prism	21,000	Dec. 29	Yokohama
N. Y. K.	Kashira Maru		Dec. 29	Yokohama
P. & O.	Nankin	7,555	Dec. 31	London
B. & S.	Helenus	4,104	Dec. 31	London
S. T. & Co.	Kathlamby		Dec. 31	New York
P. & O.	Nellore		Jan. 1	London
N. Y. K.	Sado Maru	6,237	Jan. 2	Yokohama
P. & O.	Kashmir		Jan. 2	Yokohama
B. & S.	Knight Companion	7,433	Jan. 7	London
J.C.J.L.	Arakan		Jan. 7	Java
G. L. & Co.	Eastern	3,586	Jan. 7	Australia
T. K. K.	Penia Maru	9,000	Jan. 9	San Francisco
P. & O.	Monara		Jan. 9	London
N. Y. K.	Hitachi Maru	6,557	Jan. 13	Australia
P. & O.	Novara		Jan. 13	Yokohama
T. K. K.	Chiyo Maru	22,000	Jan. 14	San Francisco
P. & O.	Sardinia	6,174	Jan. 15	London
B. & S.	Changsha	2,269	Jan. 16	Australia
N. Y. K.	Awa Maru	6,309	Jan. 16	Yokohama
N. Y. K.	Shidzuka Maru		Jan. 24	Yokohama
N. Y. K.	Suwa Maru	21,000	Jan. 26	Yokohama
P. & O.	Kashmir		Jan. 27	Yokohama
P. & O.	Nellore		Jan. 28	Yokohama
G. L. & Co.	Aldenhay	3,808	Jan. 29	Australia
P. & O.	Naru	6,694	Jan. 29	London
J.C.J.L.	Ijondari		Feb. 7	Java
J.C.J.L.	Karimoen		Mar. 7	Java
J.C.J.L.	Tjikembang		Apr. 7	Java

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THE HONGKONG TELEGRAPH.

EXTRA

HONGKONG, FRIDAY, DECEMBER 10, 1915

THE ANTILOCHUS

An Exciting Incident

Enemy Submarine Said to Have been Sunk.

It is reported, from a reliable source, that the Blue Finnel steamer Antiochus has had the good fortune to sink an enemy submarine.

The full facts are not known to us, but we are given to understand that the steamer, which was commanded by Capt. G. A. Flynn, sighted the submarine and fired on her. The first shot missed, but another shot was fired, this one taking effect and sinking the enemy craft.

YACHTING.

Royal Hongkong Yacht Club.

In connection with the rowing events arranged for Saturday next 11th inst. yachting members are reminded that there will be Ladies' yacht races also.

Handicap Class.—Preparatory gun 3.25 p.m., starting gun 3.30 p.m.

One Design Class.—Preparatory gun 3.35 p.m., starting gun 3.40 p.m.

Bayward Hare and Gael Classes.—Preparatory gun 3.45 p.m., starting gun 3.50 p.m.

The Courses selected will be announced at the Club House prior to the time arranged for starting.

Cruiser Race, Sunday, 12th inst. The following are the handicaps for the second of the series of Cruiser Championship races:—

Chinese Rig.
M. S. per mile.—Miranda, 30; Genoa, 20; Snipe, 40; Scotchman, 40; Dorothy, 11, 140; Tuttle, 3, 20; Flora, 5, 00.

English Rig.
M. S. per mile.—Feathers, 35; Spindrift, 40; Eria, 40; Queen Bee, 80; Irene, 80.

HEET FROM SIR ROBERT HO TUNG'S RESIDENCE.

At the Police Court, this morning, a Chinese house coolie employed by Sir Robert Ho Tung, 48, the Peak, was charged with stealing a watch, a box containing jewellery, and several pieces of clothing.

Sergeant Blackman said the facts which he could gather were that a Chinese tutor at the house saw the defendant taking the box out of the store in the cook house, and on asking what he was putting in his pocket he produced the stolen trinkets. The watch had been stolen a few days before and the clothing was found hidden in a storm-water pipe on the Peak.

Defendant was sentenced to three months' imprisonment and four hours' stock.

For Canton.

The s.s. Kinsman will leave for Canton to-morrow (Saturday), at 10 p.m., returning from Canton on Sunday, at 4.30 p.m.

Harbour Offences.

Before Commander C. W. Beckwith, R. N., at the Marine Court, this morning, Inspector Sirdar Khan (Reserve), charged Kwok Luk, boatmaster, with unlawfully mooring his boat within 100 yards of low water mark at a prohibited place in the Harbour after sunset on the 7th inst. Defendant was fined \$5.

OUR LONDON LETTER.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

London, November 5.

(Continued from Yesterday.)

Recruiting.

Lord Derby's new recruiting scheme is promising well. Men are rolling up in their thousands all over the country. The provisions by which men between twenty and forty are allowed to enlist in scheduled regiments to their age and family responsibilities, to be called on only when their turn comes and other classes of younger and single men have been exhausted, is an admirable one. It is proposed to issue khaki armlets to all men of service age who have served, have offered to serve, or have been started for home war service. This will make the position of eligible men who refuse to do their duty most indignantly conspicuous, and it is not likely that the class will be found to be a large one. There has been some talk of a great rush by young men to join the R.A.M.C. and other non-belligerent services. I am in a position to say that there is not much truth in this, and that a general charge of that kind would be a gross libel on the manhood of this country. The present rush to enlist does not mean that men who could serve and ought to have served have been holding back in large numbers. It means merely that scores of thousands of men who were keen enough to fight if they could felt impelled for the sake of their dependents to make no more until it was quite certain that at any sacrifice their services must be given to the country. One recruiting officer tells me of the case of a splendid fellow who offered himself for enlistment. He said he had made up his mind that, though it meant great sacrifices for others besides himself, he must come forward now. But he made it quite clear that he wanted to fight. He was bent on joining a regiment where the casualties were pretty thick and likely to continue so. He was asked if he could ride a motor bike, and replied he was "top hole" at motor biking. But he added suspiciously that, if he gave up his job to join the army, he was going to have a fight for his money. No Army Service Corps for him. The recruiting officer, remarking that he was in the presence of a real "sport," asked him what was the matter with the despatch rider's job. The recruit asked what their work was and what the risks amounted to. The recruiting officer graphically informed him, and added that during a big fight the average life of a despatch rider was not worth much more than three hours' purchase. He had to ride right up through the shot and shell to the advance line with his messages, and the job was so precarious that each message was sometimes triplicated and sent by three different hands in order that one at least might arrive safely. The new recruit's face lit up with enthusiasm and he smacked the table with a hefty fist. "That's my job!" he exclaimed. "Half a mo', Governor, I'll be back in a minute." He vanished from the recruiting office, and the recruiting officer confessed that for a moment he cherished treacherable thoughts about a "good man." He thought he might have been play-acting. What actually happened was, and the story is authentic in every particular, that the new recruit came bustling back in high glee to join as a despatch rider, and brought with him eight pals of the same kidney. These men were friends associated in their daily work who had discussed the situation and decided to join, but only on an approved guarantee that they would be "right in it."

FOOTBALL.

H.K.F.C. v. The Navy.

The Club team in this match, on the Club ground, on Saturday, will be—J. Rodger; J. Stalker, F. W. Black; M. L. Raiton; J. Stewart; T. R. Chassels; G. A. Robinson; P. Tod; J. Walker, H. E. McTavish, and W. V. Pennell. Kick-off at 4 p.m.

The New Battalions.

Sir John French, in his latest despatches, speaks very highly of the efficiency and spirit of the men of the new armies. But Sir John French has not yet seen some of the best of the new battalions. I had an opportunity the other day of visiting on Salisbury Plain, where immense numbers of men of all branches of the service were straining on the leash and praying for orders for France or the East, the battalions raised in Liverpool and known as Lord Derby's Liverpool Pals. No one has a greater admiration than I have for the Guards battalions, with whose traditions and standards I am very familiar, but I would be prepared to bet the first battalion of Lord Derby's Pals against anything on earth in boots. This battalion is composed of picked men, of a good stature and fine physique, and the majority of them are well-to-do Liverpool business men, not too young and not too old, athletic, well educated and alert. They have been in hard training now for more than a year, and their training has been in good hands. They have been trained on the soundest and most advanced methods. Their colonial boasts with pride that there is nothing obsolete about them. They have a magnificent camp and splendid food and their equipment is the last word in perfection. The battalion now covers with ease and without turning a hair thirty miles over rough roads with full kit on a rout march. If a man falls out owing to some accidental cause it amounts to a sensation in the corps. They have drilled until the drill sergeant can do no more. They have practised field exercises, advancing against realistic targets and firing as they go, until it is second nature to them. Any old Guards adjutant would take his dying oath, if he saw them at ceremonial drill, that they were Grenadiers of the first water. In some respects, owing to their superior education, they are better than ordinary Guards regiment. And they are as keen as mustard. I talked to many of them of all ranks, and the one common question was "Why don't they send us out?" It was invariably put a good deal more emphatically than that, but I am bowdlerising for public consumption. Every man has been trained as a bomber. There is a young sergeant who can throw sixty yards, with great facility and ease. But the Pals have got a new contrivance which may be described, without going into details as a steel catapult. With mechanical precision this instrument will hurl bombs two hundred and fifty yards and more. I saw thirty or forty bombs dropped at about that distance with infallible aim into an iron tank about the size of an ordinary dining room table. Their machine gun equipment is, as one of the section commanders observed, "extra." The rule used to be two maxima to a battalion. The Pals have twelve much lighter guns, that fire more quickly, and which a man can dance around complete on his shoulder. It is probable that before these lines appear in print the Pals will have had their wish, and be "somewhere in France."

(To be Continued.)

CORRESPONDENCE.

[The opinions expressed by the correspondents are not necessarily those of the "Hongkong Telegraph."]

THE NEW RAILWAY STATION.

[To the Editor of the Hongkong Telegraph.]

Sir,—You express the hope that some opening ceremony will be held with respect to the new Kowloon Railway Station.

What an spectacle crowd we are in Hongkong! I have, whilst crossing the harbour daily, lately noticed the mushroom-like growth of this splendid structure and have even, in a careless way, compared it with the erection of the Post Office and Law Courts; but never until I read your comments this evening, did it occur to me to enquire who is the engineer responsible for the progress.

One sees so much evidence of flagrant incompetence with respect to roads and buildings in Hongkong and has read so much criticism of the same in the local press that one is led to hope, with you, that a fitting ceremony will mark the opening of this most important pile and that the Colony will render honour to the man to whose ability its rapid and perfect construction is surely due.

Yours faithfully,
H. W. REID.

Hongkong, December 8, 1915.

POLICE RESERVE ORDERS.

Orders issued to-day by Mr. F. C. Jenkin, D. S. P. (Reserve) state:—

Pitts.
Unless otherwise ordered, rifles must be carried on all parades, whether in full or in uniform.

On all parades with rifles, 30 rounds of ammunition must be carried. Same may be carried in the pocket or in a belt inside the jacket.

Musket Course, Part 1.
The details of No. 2 Company warned by the M. I. to fire on Saturday, Dec. 11th, will not attend. They will be warned for the next week-end.

Parades 5.30 p.m.
Tuesday, December 14.—Recruits of 1st and 2nd Platoons, No. 1 Company, and of No. 2 Co.

Wednesday, December 15.—All Company Inspectors and Sergeants, without rifles.

Thursday, December 16.—Recruits of 3rd and 4th Platoons, No. 1 Company, and of No. 3 Company.

LITTLE FISHES ARE SWEET.

Seven Government Actions Yield \$145.

The Colonial Treasurer was the plaintiff in seven cases at the Summary Court this morning, in which the claims were for the following sums:—58 cents, 18 cents, 10 cents, 28 cents, 20 cents, 8 cents, and 3 cents. The amounts were for rent of Crown lands, and as the cost of issuing a writ is \$1.50 it would seem that the recovery of these small sums is hardly a lucrative business.

It was stated that in the case of the man who was summoned for five cents he had gone to London. On service being proved, his Lordship gave judgment for the plaintiff with costs.

His Lordship:—Let me see, what costs do you get in these cases? The Crown Solicitor:—None, my Lord.

TUCK'S NOVELTIES.

A Wonderful Collection for Christmas and New Year.

If there is one firm whose name is on the lips of almost everybody in all parts of the world at this time of the year, that firm is assuredly Messrs. Raphael Tuck and Sons. Year in and year out Tuck's have aimed at producing the very best that mind and hand can conceive and artists create in the way of Christmas and New Year cards, auto-stationery, postcards, gift books, try calendars, picture puzzles, art novelties, etc., and this year they have exceeded all past achievements in the magnificent all-British collection which they have issued. Their products for the coming festive season comprise four bulky volumes filled to repletion with 3,000 Christmas and New Year cards of entirely new and original designs by the most successful artists of the day, and reproduced in the many varied high-class processes, both in colour and black and white, rendering them perfect facsimiles of the artist's originals. These confidently claim the patronage of a discriminating public.

The reception accorded last season in every quarter of the globe to the delightfully perfumed "Pot-Plant" series made the retention of this highly appreciated idea in ladies' cards a foregone conclusion, and Tuck's exquisite developments for the coming season will maintain these delicately hand-painted cards in the leadership of a collection replete with novelties of an unusually high order.

The Silk Etched Greeting, an absolutely original idea, the very simplicity of which—the greeting is etched along the ribbon fastening the card instead of appearing on the card itself—will ensure instantaneous success. Letters Patent for this undoubted novelty, which plays an important role throughout the collection, have been duly applied for.

The "Patriotic" series touches a true note. The "Flemish Tapestry" series is at once topical and beautiful, the "Colour Facsimile," the "Pre-Raphaelite," the "Sketch Club" and the "Onyx" series are all delightful in their way. The "Auto Stationery" series is represented by collections of 350 entirely new original designs in a remarkable range of subjects, while the "Water Colour" series, the "Broderie D'Art," the "Gravure," the famous "Palettes" and the "Goodwill" series, 4 novelties all, have put on a beautiful, novel garb, these with a host of other new styles contributing to a splendid and varied collection.

A special series of patriotic Christmas cards in keeping with the spirit of the times is introduced, an important feature throughout the entire collection being the appropriate greetings and wording suitable not only to the period of Peace and Goodwill but mindful in its chastened note of the sacrifices which this World's War has entailed upon the nation.

Tuck's new Royal Christmas cards, reproduced by gracious permission direct from the original Christmas cards the firm again had the honour of producing for Their Majesties the King and Queen, Queen Alexandra, and the Prince of Wales, will continue their share in cementing together the bonds which now more than ever unite our Royal House to their devoted subjects throughout the Empire.

There are very many new things for the little ones this year. To its standard Children's Gift Book Library the firm has added "Glorious Battles of English History," by Major Wylie, illustrated by Harry Payne, "Children's Stories from Scott,"

VOLUNTEER ORDERS.

Corps Orders issued to-day by Lieut-Col. A. Chapman, V. D., state:—

Joined.
Private B. Pasco joined the Corps on 9.12.15, allotted Corps No. 1948 and posted to Signalling Section.

Parades.
Parades for Saturday, 11th inst. 7.30 a.m. Members of Signalling Section and other units as detailed in Signalling Section Order dated 8.12.15. Morse flag and Heliograph practice at Headquarters.

2.30 p.m. Musketry at King's Park Range, as detailed in Corps Order No. 3 dated 6.12.15. Remainder, Nil.

Medical Attendance.
Reference Corps Order No. 2 dated 9.12.15. Volunteers failing to notify the Hospital Authorities on admission to Hospital, as instructed, will be required to pay their own expenses.

Manning of Posts.
The Right Section M. G. Co. will man their mobilisation Post on Monday, 13th inst. at 4 p.m. Field Operations on 14th inst. Units taking part will parade as follows:—

9.00 a.m. Right Section M. G. Co. at Headquarters.

9.15 a.m. Nos. 1 and 2 Sections Artillery and Civil Service Company at Kennedy's Stables, Causeway Bay.

9.45 a.m. Left Section M. G. Co. on Cricket Ground.

Dress. Khaki drill jackets and shorts and puttees to be worn. Rifles, belts and sidearms, four pouches, water bottles (filled) and haversacks to be carried.

Right and Left Sections M. G. Co. will wear caps. The remainder will wear helmets. Food to be taken in haversacks.

Detail.

Gun Club Hill, Kowloon.

On duty until morning of 13th inst.—H. K. V. R.

P. of W. Camp, Kowloon.

On duty until morning of 13th inst.—H. K. V. R.

Illustrated by Harold Earmshaw; "Children's Stories from the Poets," illustrated by Frank Adams; and Kingsley's "Water Babies," illustrated by Mabel Louie Atwell. This beautiful Library now comprises 18 volumes. The book of "Heroes," by Howard Davis, and new editions of the "Arabian Nights," "English History Stories," and "Andersen's Fairy Tales," are assured of a hearty welcome. Two striking novelties in books for children, destined to be the hit of this season are the "Life-Like" and the "Furry Mascot" series.

Patents have been duly applied for. The long list of beautiful toy books and painting books, at once entertaining and educational, will carry all before them.

Then there is Father Tuck's realistic "Paper Modelling" series consisting of perfect little models of battleships, aeroplanes, armoured cars, soldiers in trenches, etc., while the more peaceful "Picture Making" teaches children how themselves to produce pictures, such as "Alice in Wonderland," etc., "Pictures and How to Make Them" continues its phenomenal career and now comprises three series.

The famous "Zag-zag" picture puzzles and some really beautiful art calendars, postcards, etc., go to make up a most wonderful collection, giving remarkable evidence of what British art, British enterprise, and British perseverance are able to accomplish even in face of the many difficulties inseparable from the stressful period through which we are passing.

VOLUNTEER RESERVE ORDERS.

Order issued to-day by Major Wakeman, Commanding H. K. V. R., state:—

Prisoners of War Camp and Gun Club Hill Detachment. The H.K.V.R. will relieve the H.K.V.R. on Monday the 13th inst.

Next for Duty.

Prisoners of War Camp. Monday 20th inst. Sections 1 and 2 of A Co.

Tuesday 21st inst. Sections 1 and 2 of B Co.

Wednesday 22nd inst. Section 1 of C Co.

Thursday 23rd inst. Sections 3 and 4 of A Co.

Friday 24th inst. Sections 1 and 4 of B Co.

Saturday 25th inst. Sections 2, 3 and 4 of C Co.

Gun Club Hill. Monday 20th inst. Sections 3 and 4 of A Co.

Tuesday 21st inst. Sections 3 and 4 of B Co.

Wednesday 22nd inst. Sections 2, 3 and 4 of C Co.

Thursday 23rd inst. Sections 1 and 2 of A Co.

Friday 24th inst. Sections 1 and 2 of B Co.

Saturday 25th inst. Section 1 of C Co.

Musketry. All members of "A," "B" and "C" Companies who have not fired Part 1 (Trained Men) Musketry Course must attend at King's Park Range on Wednesday the 15th inst. at 2.15 p.m.

Parades. Recruits will parade on the Cricket Ground on Monday the 13th inst., Wednesday the 15th inst., and Thursday the 16th inst. at 5.15 p.m. under Sergt. Major Bond. Dress drill order.

The Signalling Section will parade at Volunteer Headquarters on Monday the 13th inst., Wednesday the 15th inst., and Friday the 17th inst. at 5.15 p.m. In future members will carry Morse as well as Semaphore Flags. Message forms must be brought to all parades. "A," "B" and "C" Companies will parade on the Cricket Ground on Friday the 17th inst. at 5.15 p.m. Dress drill order.

All members of "A," "B" & "C" Companies including exempted members will parade at Volunteer Headquarters on Saturday the 18th inst. at 1.45 p.m. Dress drill order with tops. 150 rounds ball ammunition will be carried, food taken in haversacks and water-bottles filled. Great coats will be carried on bandoleers over the right shoulder. Every member must attend unless previously notified that he is exempted from this parade.

Posting. Pte. K. E. Greig having joined is allotted Corps No. 567 and posted to Co. "C" Section 2.

Dress. All members will hand to Noordin, tailor, their tunics so that hooks for belts may be fixed. Each member must at the time of sending in his tunic send his name with the tunic.

Care of Arms. It has been brought to the notice of the Officer Commanding that cases have arisen in which it has been found that the bolts of some rifles are not those that were issued with the rifles. Members are warned that great care must be taken in seeing that each member has the correct bolt for the rifle in his possession, and that they will be held liable for any damage caused by neglect of this precaution.

TYPHOON WARNING.

The telegram quoted below was received by the American Consulate General, Hongkong, from the Manila Observatory at 1.15 p.m. to-day:—

Cyclone or typhoon over N. China Sea, filling up.

THE HONGKONG TELEGRAPH SECOND EXTRA

HONGKONG, FRIDAY, DECEMBER 10, 1915.

TO-DAY'S LATEST WAR TELEGRAMS.

[Reuter's Service to the "Telegraph."]

BRAVE NEW ZEALANDERS.

SOUTH AFRICA'S TRIBUTE.

December 9, 4.10 p.m.
Reuter's correspondent at Capetown says that 130 wounded New Zealanders, who had been invalided, and are now returning to New Zealand, were given a magnificent reception at the Opera House at Capetown. General Botha was unable to be present, but he sent a message in which he paid a tribute "to their brave and noble conduct which, he said, was an inspiring example to the manhood of the Union."

THE RUSSIANS.

CAPTURE OF LARGE ENEMY AEROPLANE.

December 9, 4.10 p.m.
Reuter's correspondent at Dvinsk says that a large German aeroplane landed in the Russian lines through engine defects. The airman, one of whom was a Colonel, surrendered after an obstinate resistance. The Colonel attempted to swallow a paper, but was prevented.

MAHARAJAH'S LOAN SUBSCRIPTION.

December 9, 4.10 p.m.
H.H. the Raja-i-Bajgan of Kapurthala, on returning from a visit to the French front, has subscribed half a million francs to the French War Loan.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL VACANCY.

To-day's Meeting of the Chamber of Commerce.

Mr. P. H. Holyoak Elected.

Members of the Hongkong General Chamber of Commerce met this afternoon for the purpose of nominating one of their number to a seat on the Legislative Council in place of the late Hon. Mr. E. A. Hewett. There were two names proposed and seconded—Mr. J. W. C. Bonnar, of Messrs. Gibb, Livingston and Co. (Vice-Chairman of the Chamber), and Mr. P. H. Holyoak, of Messrs. Reiss and Co. (a member of the Committee of the Chamber).

The Candidates.

Mr. Bonnar first came to the Colony as an assistant in the firm of Messrs. Gibb, Livingston and Company in 1900, being elected to the position of a partner in the firm in 1908. Synchronising with this appointment was his election on the Committee of the Chamber of Commerce and he has since been appointed Vice-Chairman of the Chamber, a position he has held with marked ability. Although he has not held any previous public appointment, he had the honour of serving on the Legislative Council for three months in 1912, during the absence of the late Mr. Hewett. As is well known, Mr. Bonnar is a member of the Board of Directors of many Companies, and takes a keen interest in all matters that tend towards the improvement of the Colony.

It is many years ago since Mr. Holyoak came to the Colony, and during the whole of this time he has been identified with the firm of Messrs. Reiss and Company. Since he was made a partner in the firm, over two years ago, he has held a seat on the Committee of the Chamber of Commerce. Prior to to-day's proceedings he has not sought election to any public position.

The Meeting.

At the meeting this afternoon, the Hon. Mr. David Landale presided, there being a large attendance of members.

The meeting was opened by the Chairman reading the resolution of condolence passed at the last Committee meeting regarding the death of the late Mr. E. A. Hewett, which he said he was sure they would all endorse. They would all admire the energy with which he strove to carry his point on any matter in which he considered himself to be right. He represented that Chamber with great ability on the Legislative Council, and he (the Chairman) felt sure that the late Mr. Hewett's honesty of purpose must have impressed the officials of Hongkong even when he thought it right to oppose them. They deplored his death and mourned the loss of a public-spirited gentleman—(Applause).

Mr. Landale proceeded to read the letter from the Government requesting that the necessary steps be taken to elect a successor to the late Mr. Hewett, adding that to save any misunderstanding he was going to read the rules governing the election. Having read these, Mr. Landale said that it was necessary to appoint scrutineers to look after the voting, and he proposed that Mr. William Dickson and Mr. N. S. Marshall be asked to act.

This was agreed to. The Chairman said the nominations with the proposers and seconders were as follows:

Mr. John Whyte Cooper Bonnar, nominated by Mr. David Landale, seconded by Mr. N. J. Stabb; Mr. Percy Hobson Holyoak, nominated by the Hon. Mr. H. E. Pollock, seconded by Mr. W. H. Bell.

In proposing Mr. Bonnar, the Chairman said he wished it to be understood that he nominated Mr. Bonnar as representing Messrs. Jardine, Matheson and Co., and not as Chairman of that Chamber. He thought it was only fair to the other candidate to make that statement. Proceeding to speak of the qualities of Mr. Bonnar, the Chairman said that for the past three years he had been Vice-Chairman of the Chamber. He was the senior representative of Messrs. Gibb, Livingston and Co., a firm which had had a long and honourable connection with commerce in Hongkong and China.

Mr. Stabb formally seconded. The Hon. Mr. Pollock, in the course of a eulogistic speech, said they wanted a man who could speak freely, and in Mr. Holyoak

HOSPITAL SUPPLIES.

New War Organisation for Hongkong.

It is proposed to start a Hongkong Branch of the War Hospital Supplies Association for making up and supplying general hospital requisites for the use of British and Allied hospitals at Home and at the Front.

Lady May has kindly consented to act as President, and the following ladies as patronesses:—Mrs. Lander, Lady Ross Davies, Mrs. Anstruther, Lady Chater and Mrs. Hoakys.

A meeting will be held at the City Hall every Tuesday morning from 10 to 12.40, commencing on Tuesday next, December 14. Enormous offers of help from workers have been received, but the Depot cannot be carried on unless the money to buy materials etc. is forthcoming. A monthly subscription—not compulsory—of not more than two dollars will be welcomed from members, and donations from the general public of money and materials are asked for. It is confidently hoped that the Colony will support this useful and patriotic work.

Donations of money should be sent to the Honorary Treasurer, Mrs. H. A. Nisbet, 7, Macdonnell Road, and donations of materials to the Honorary Secretary, Mrs. G. C. Moron, at the City Hall. All are cordially invited to come and help or to inspect the work done by the Depot.

Kailan Output.

The total output of the Kailan Mining Administration's mines for the week ending November 27 amounted to 69,696 tons and the sales during the period, to 70,569 tons.

they would have a man of that type. He thought the best tribute they could pay to the memory of the late Mr. Hewett was to elect a man who was fearless and outspoken, and he thought that Mr. Holyoak was well-fitted to take that place.

Mr. Bell seconded.

The two candidates then addressed the meeting, Mr. Bonnar saying that he welcomed the contest, as it revealed a healthy condition of the Chamber.

Mr. Holyoak said he would not have allowed himself to be nominated but for the fact that he received a deputation asking him to stand. He was sorry to say that the election had resolved itself into a heated controversy. It had been alleged by some persons—no doubt with the idea of influencing the votes at that election—that he was a member of a German firm. As a matter of fact, the firm he belonged to had been established for considerably over 100 years, and had always had its head offices at Manchester. Two of its senior partners were serving at the front, and one member of the firm had recently laid down his life for the honour of his country—(Applause). He thought that was a sufficient answer to the malicious suggestion. Mr. Holyoak proceeded to point out that his long association with business specially fitted him to represent the Chamber, and assured the members that he would endeavour to serve their interests to the best of his ability—(Applause).

The Chairman proceeded to read the directions for voting, after which voting took place. The result was announced as follows:—
Mr. P. H. Holyoak..... 71
Mr. J. W. C. Bonnar..... 41
Loud applause greeted the announcement of the figures.

THE BIG OPIUM CASE.

The case was resumed, at the Police Court this afternoon, before Mr. Hasland, in which Edmund Walter Hokrath, aged 31, described as a merchant, of England; Ethel Bearden, aged 37, of New York, and Madame Emilie Delcambre, of France, were charged with importing, storing and abetting the importation of 374 lbs. of opium into the Colony by the Miahims Maru. There was a second charge against the defendants of being in possession without a permit from the Superintendent of Police.

The prosecution was conducted by Mr. King T. H. (A.S.P.) whilst Mr. F. C. Jenkin instructed by Mr. Mason, of Messrs. D'Almeida and Mason, defended.

Detective Sergeant Fincott said that Horne made a statement in the morning, and went straight from the Police Court to the boat which left at 12.45. He identified the keys which Mr. Jenkin was holding in his hand as those which he (Mr. Jenkin) had brought into Court yesterday.

Mr. Jenkin:—I had overlooked this difficulty. I hadn't been able to get my cheque book to-night. The keys are some which I brought out with me on the same boat as the defendants travelled on.

Mr. King said that in answer to the charges, the first defendant said they were not correct, but regarding the second charge he said he had nothing to say. The other two defendants also denied any knowledge of the matter, the second defendant saying that she would leave everything to her solicitor.

Mr. Jenkin:—She had not got a counsel then—(laughter).

Mr. Jenkin, addressing his Worship for the defence, stated that the case against the first defendant was under section 6, and 47, was a question of possession.

One was the possession of loose opium, and under section 47 that meant the possession of something which was not put on the ship's manifest. The crux of the case for the defence was, of course, possession, and he submitted that there was no degree of doubt whatever, and that however regretful it might be for the Police, there was no evidence at all of possession. The first point was whether the man had possession; whether the possession was a possession, and whether it was a guilty knowledge. There was one thing he objected to strongly, and that was the fact that the man Horne was allowed to leave the Colony almost as soon as his solicitor had made the application. He contended that that was a very wrong thing, and very unjust on the part of the Police. Mr. King had said that if the Police had wanted him they would have kept him, and Mr. King could not deny it.

Mr. King:—I object to the statement. No application was made.

Mr. Jenkin:—You made that statement, Mr. King, as you said down.

Mr. King:—The man had been in prison at Shanghai.

Mr. Jenkin:—It does not matter if he had been hung, drawn and quartered, he should have been kept here.

Continuing, Mr. Jenkin said that the bunch of keys which were found on the defendant opened five of the boxes, but if must not be forgotten that one of the keys belonging to the cabin trunk also opened one of the other trunks which were in Court as an exhibit. His (Mr. Jenkin's) keys also opened five of the trunks, and he was, on that evidence, as liable to be charged as the defendants.

The case was again adjourned.

PUBLIC AUCTION

GEO. P. LAMMERT.
AUCTIONEER, SHARE &
GENERAL BROKER

THE Undersigned has received instructions to sell by Public Auction on **SATURDAY**, the 11th December, 1915 commencing at 11 a.m. at his Sales Rooms, Duddell Street, One "Climax" Oil Engine, One "Dynamo" (Revolutions 1500, Volt 110, Amps. 45, KW 5) Nine Large Steel Safes (Single and Double Doors). On view from Tuesday, the 7th inst.

Terms—Cash on delivery.
GEO. P. LAMMERT.
Auctioneer.

THE Undersigned has received instructions to sell by Public Auction on **MONDAY**, the 13th December, 1915, commencing at 2.30 p.m. at his Sales Rooms, Duddell Street.

A Large Quantity of Valuable Household Furniture

comprising—
Teak Hatstand with Bevelled Mirror, Chesterfield Couch, Roll Top Desks, Bookcases, Card Table, Overmantel with Bevelled Mirror, Electric Chandelier, Electric Table Fan, Carpets, Curtains, Pictures and Engravings, Vases, Ornaments, etc., etc.
Teak Sideboards with Bevelled Mirrors, Oak Extension Dining Table, Dinner Wagon, Tea Tables, Ice Chest, Dinner and Dessert Services, Electric and Glassware (including cut-glass), Cooking Stove, etc., etc.
Brass Mounted Iron Bedstead, Teak Wardrobes, Dressing Table with Bevelled Mirror, Chest-of-Drawers, Marble Top Washstands, Toilet Crockery, Quilts and Blankets, etc., etc.

Also,
A few pieces of Blackwood-ware
1 Singer Treadle Sewing Machine
2 Treadle Sewing Machines.
On view from Saturday, the 11th inst.

Catalogues will be issued.
Terms—Cash on delivery.
GEO. P. LAMMERT.
Auctioneer.

THE Undersigned has received instructions from Captain F. F. Miller-Jones A.S.C. to sell by Public Auction on **TUESDAY**, the 14th December, 1915, commencing at 2.45 p.m. at No. 5 Mountain View, The Peak.

A Quantity of Valuable Household Furniture (Particulars from Catalogue) and

A Few pieces of Carlton Blackwood
One "Victrola" with a quantity of Records.
On view from Monday the 13th inst.

GEO. P. LAMMERT.
Auctioneer.

THE Undersigned has received instructions to sell by Public Auction on **TUESDAY**, the 21st December, 1915 commencing at 11 a.m. at his Sales Rooms Duddell Street.

IN ONE LOT.
The Japanese Steamer "Taro Maru"

as she now lies wrecked at the Hainan Straits together with her Engines, Anchors, Cables, Appurtenances, Stores, etc., etc.

and
The Cargo consisting of about 3,800 Tons of Hongkong Dust Coal.

For further particulars apply to **GEO. P. LAMMERT.**
Auctioneer.

Terms—Cash on the fall of the Hammer.

G. P. LAMMERT.
NOTICE.

Any European, Non-Asiatic or Indian desiring to leave the Colony should apply in writing for permission to do so to the Captain Superintendent of Police, at least 48 hours before the intended hour of departure, giving name, nationality, age, sex, height and occupation of the applicant, and stating the name of the steamer or other vessel or the hour of the train by which the applicant wishes to leave. Applicants should apply in person for their passes at the Central Police Station between the hours of 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. and 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. daily.
Hongkong 9th July, 1915.

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OFFICIAL MARKET PRICES

Hongkong, March 12, 1915

SUTCHER MEAT

Beef Sirloin—Mai Lung Pa	lb.	19
" Prime Cut	"	21
" Corned—Ham Ngau Yuk	"	19
" Roast—Shin	"	19
" Breast—Ngau Lam	"	17
" Soup—Tung Yuk	"	15
" Steak—Ngau Yik Pa	"	30
" do—Sirloin—Ngau Lau	"	30
" Sausages—Ngau Cheung	"	24
Bullock's Brains—No	per set	10
" Tongue, fresh—Ngau Li	each	50
" corned—Ham Ngau Li	"	60
" Head—Ngau Tan	"	1.00
" Heart—Ngau Sum	lb.	14
" Hump, Salt—Ngau Kim	"	90
" Feet—Ngau Keuk	each	11
" Kidneys—Ngau Yik	"	11
" Tail—Ngau Mei	"	18
" Liver—Ngau Kon	lb.	13
" Tripe (undressed)—Ngau To	"	6
Calves' Head & Feet—Ngau tau-tau-keuk	set	\$1.00
Mutton Chop—Yeung Pei Kwai	lb.	25
" Leg—Yeung Pei	"	25
" Shoulder—Yeung Shan	"	24
" Saddle	"	27
Pigs' Chittlings—Chiu Chong	"	27
" Brains—Chiu No	per set	24
" Feet—Chiu Keuk	lb.	13
" Fry—Chiu Chap	"	15
" Head—Chiu Tan	"	18
" Heart—Chiu Sam	each	11
" Kidneys—Chiu Yik	"	18
" Liver—Chiu Kon	lb.	28
" Pork Chop—Chiu Pak Kwai	"	24
" Corned—Ham Chiu Yuk	"	28
" Leg—Chiu Pei	"	20
" Fat or Lard—Chiu Yau	"	20
Sheep's Head and Feet—Yeung Tau Keuk	set	60
" Heart—Yeung Sam	each	8
" Kidneys—Yeung Yik	"	12
" Liver—Yeung Kon	lb.	26
" Sucking Pigs to order—Chiu Tai	"	22
" Suet, Beef—Shang Ng Yau	"	20
" Mutton—Shang Yeung Yau	"	26
" Veal—Ngau Tai Yuk	"	19
" Sausages—Ngau Tsai Cheung	"	20
" Lard—Chiu Yau	"	20

POULTRY:

Chicken—Kai Tsai	lb.	35
Capons, Large, Small—Sin Kai	"	34
Ducks—Ap	"	32
Doves—Pan Kan	"	18
Eggs, Hen—Kai Tan (cooling)	per doz	20
" (fresh)	"	36
Fowls, Canton—Kai	lb.	42
" Hainan—Hoi Nam Kai	"	30
Geese—Ngo	"	24
Pigeons, Canton—Pak Kap	each	28
" Hainan—Hoi Hoi Pak Kap	"	25
Snipe—Sha Tsui	each	22
Turkeys, Cook—Fo Kai Kung	lb.	60
" Hen—Na	"	45
Pheasant—Shan Kai	"	75
Quail—Om Chum	"	25
Partridges—Che Ku	"	65

FISH.

Barbel—Ka Yu	lb.	18
Bream—Pin Yu	"	18
Canton Fresh Water Fish—Hoi Sin Yu	"	15
Ducks—Ap	"	20
Catfish—Chik Yu	"	12
Codfish—Man Yu	"	14
Crabs—Hoi	"	26
Cuttle Fish—Mink Yu	"	16
Dab—Sha Mang Yu	"	12
Dace—Wong Mei Lap	"	13
Dog Fish—Tui To Sha	"	10
Eels, Copper—Hoi Man	"	13
" Fresh water—Tam Sui Yu	"	18
Eels, Yellow—Wong Sin	"	32
Frogs—Tin Kai	"	33
Garoupe—Shak Pan	"	40
Gudgeon—Pak Kap Yu	"	16
Herrings—Tao Pak	"	20
Halibut—Cheung Kwan Kap	"	20
Labrus—Wong Fa Yu	"	18
Loach—Wu Yu	"	26
Lobsters—Lung Ha	"	28
Mackerel—Chi Yu	"	20
Monk Fish—Mong Yu	"	32
Mullet—Chai Yu	"	16
Oysters—Shang Ho	"	22
Parrot Fish—Kai Kung Yu	"	12
Perch—Tau Lo	"	18
Pike—Fa Pan Fong	"	18
Praies—Pan Yu	"	15
Pomfret, Black—Hak Chong	"	28
Pomfret, White—Pak Chong	"	28
Prawns—Ming Ha	"	38
Ray—Pai Pa Sha	"	10
Rock Fish—Shak Kau Kung	"	15
Roach—Chun Yu	"	12
Salmon—Ma Yu	"	20
Shark—Sha Yu	"	7
Skate—Po Yu	"	8
Shrimps—Ha	"	25
Snapper—Lap Yu	"	28
Sole—Tat Sha Yu	"	26
Tench—Wai Yu	"	16
Turbot—Cho How Yu	"	18
Turtles, small, fresh water—Kau Yu	"	60

FRUITS.

Almonds—Bang Yan	lb.	35
Apples (California)—Kam Shan Ping Khe	"	18
" (Chiao)—Tin Chui Ping Khe	"	18

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LIST OF PASSENGERS.

Per P. and O. steamer Arabia. From London November 13.—To Hongkong: Mr. W. G. Clarke, Miss Perry, Miss F. N. Cooper, Mrs. Foulds and child, Mr. and Mrs. G. Willis and 4 children, Miss J. E. Ferris.

Per P. and O. steamer Mulda. From London November 27.—To Hongkong: Rev. S. N. Norton, Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Aires and 4 children, Mr. W. Barbour, Mrs. Lachlan, child and amah.

Per N.Y.K. s.s. Suwa Maru. From London Nov. 6. To Hongkong: Mrs. and Miss Main, Mr. and Mrs. Weir, Mr. and Mrs. T. R. Wolf and 2 children, Mrs. P. Hodson, Mr. and Mrs. Brown, Mr. Grist, Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Moore-Mead, Capt. F. Wheeler, Rev. and Mrs. Ferguson, Mr. A. J. Poole, Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Smalley and 2 children, Mrs. and Miss E. Roberts, Mrs. Knight and infant, Miss Stewart, Mrs. Mathews and child, Miss Westgate.

Per N.Y.K. s.s. Atsuta Maru. From London December 20.—To Hongkong: Mr. G. Worby, Mr. and Mrs. Findley Smith, Mr. H. E. Spencer-Fayne, Mr. Jas. Spiers.

Per N.Y.K. steamer Yasaka Maru. From London December 4.—To Hongkong: Mr. L. Lee, Mrs. V. J. Tartarin and 5 children, Miss V. Tartarin, Miss E. Tartarin, Mr. and Mrs. L. Lachlan, Mrs. Bishop.

CONSIGNEES

TOYO KISEN KAISHA.

From KOBE, YOKO AND MANILA.

s.s. "SHINYO MARU."

The above named Steamer having arrived, Consignees of cargo are hereby notified to send in their Bills of Lading for counter-signature, and to take immediate delivery of cargo from alongside. Cargo remaining undelivered on 8th Dec. at noon, will be landed at Consignee's risk and expense, and delivery must then be taken from the Company's Godown. Storage charges will be assessed on all goods remaining undelivered on 25th December at noon.

No Fire Insurance whatever will be effected.

No claim will be recognised after the Goods have left the Steamer or Godown.

All chafed and damaged cargo will be landed into the Godown, where they will be examined on 12th December at 10 a.m.

No claim will be recognised if filed after 20th December, 1915.

K. DOL, Acting Agent.

Hongkong, 6th December, 1915.

TOYO KISEN KAISHA.

From SAN FRANCISCO, via HONOLULU, JAPAN PORTS and SHANGHAI.

s.s. "NIPPON MARU"

The above named Steamer having arrived, Consignees of cargo are hereby notified to send in their Bills of Lading for counter-signature, and to take immediate delivery of cargo from alongside.

Cargo remaining undelivered on 8th December at 5 p.m. landed at Consignee's risk and expense and delivery must then be taken from the Company's Godown. Storage charges will be assessed on all goods remaining undelivered on 13th December at noon.

No Fire Insurance whatever will be effected.

No claim will be recognised after the goods have left the Steamer or Godown.

All chafed and damaged cargo will be landed into the Company's Godown, where they will be examined on 15th December at 10 a.m.

No claim will be recognised if filed after 20th December, 1915.

K. DOL, Acting Agent.

Hongkong, 7th December, 1915.

CONSIGNEES

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LTD.

From CAJ CUTTA, PENANG & SINGAPORE.

THE Company's Steamship "KAMSANG"

having arrived from the above Ports Consignees of cargo by her are hereby informed that their goods will be delivered from alongside.

Cargo, impeding the discharge or remaining on board after noon the 8th inst. will be landed at Consignee's risk and expense.

No Fire Insurance will be effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., LD.

General Managers.

Hongkong, December, 6th 1915.

PUBLIC COMPANIES

THE HONGKONG & WHAMPOA DOCK CO., LTD.

Notice is hereby given that an Extraordinary General Meeting of the Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Company, Limited, will be held at the Company's Office, Queen's Buildings, Victoria, Hongkong, on Monday, the 13th day of December, 1915, at 12 o'clock noon, when the subject of Resolutions will be proposed as Extraordinary Resolutions viz—

(1)—That the Capital of the Company be increased to \$3,000,000 by the creation of 10,000 additional shares of \$50 each.

(2)—That the Directors be authorised to offer the said 10,000 additional Shares at a premium of \$10 per Share to each Member on the Register of Members on the 14th day of December, 1915, in the proportion of one New Share for every complete number of Five Shares which such Member is the Registered Holder of on that date and upon the footing (unless the Directors shall otherwise determine) that Shareholders shall be given the option of paying the full amount of each share taken up, plus the premium (making together \$60 per Share) to the Company on acceptance of the offer or of paying such amount on or before the 29th February, 1916, with interest at the rate of 6 per cent. per annum from (and including) the 1st January, 1916, until payment and that if any Shareholder fails to pay the full amount due on any Shares accepted by him (including premium and interest) on or before the 29th February, 1916, such Shares may be forfeited by the Directors and that such offer be made by notice specifying the number of Shares to which the Member is entitled and limiting the time within which the offer if not accepted, will be deemed to be declined to the 31st December, 1915, and that the Directors be empowered to dispose of the Shares not accepted in response to such offer to such persons upon such terms and conditions and at such times as they consider expedient in the interests of the Company and that forfeited Shares shall become the property of the Company and may be sold, reallocated or otherwise disposed of by the Directors in such manner as they think fit.

(3)—That such additional shares as did not participate in any Dividend declared in March, 1915, in respect of profit accrued up to the 31st December, 1915, but shall participate in any Dividend declared thereafter pro rata with the existing capital.

(4)—That no Member shall be entitled to an offer of any fraction of an Additional Share in respect of any Number of Shares less than five held by him.

(5)—That the Directors be empowered to dispose of all additional shares which members are not entitled to have offered to them to such persons upon such terms and conditions and at such times as they consider expedient in the interests of the Company.

(6)—That the proposed exercise by the Directors of the power of borrowing vested in them by the creation of a debenture issue of \$2,000,000 bearing interest at Six per cent. of which \$1,000,000 is to be offered for subscription forthwith and the balance is to be dealt with in such manner as the Directors may in the present or future determine be and the same is hereby approved and that the Directors be left to raise and secure the repayment of such debentures in such manner and upon such terms and conditions in all respects as they think fit with liberty, if they think fit to deposit any of such debentures with the Company's Bankers on such terms as they think fit as security for any indebtedness of the Company to its Bankers either present or future.

And the Resolution hereafter further submitted will also be proposed as an Extraordinary Resolution, viz—

"That the regulations contained in the printed document submitted to this Meeting and for the purpose of identification subscribed by the Chairman thereof be and the same are hereby approved and that such regulations be and they are hereby adopted as the Articles of the Company in substitution for and to the exclusion of all the existing Articles thereof."

Should the Resolution immediately preceding for the approval and adoption of new regulations of the Company be passed by the required majority it will be submitted for confirmation as a Special Resolution to a second Extraordinary Meeting which will be subsequently convened. A copy of the new regulations referred to can be seen on application at the Company's Office in Hongkong or at the Offices of Messrs. Deacon, Lecker, Deacon & Harston, the company's Solicitors.

Dated the 1st day of December, 1915.

By Order of the Board.

R. M. DYER, Chief Manager.

Notice.—The Register of Shareholders will be closed from an including the 14th December, 1915 to the 24th December, 1915.

By Order of the Board.

R. M. DYER, Chief Manager.

PUBLIC COMPANIES

THE HONGKONG & WHAMPOA DOCK CO., LTD.

NOTICE

Shareholders are reminded that pursuant to the Resolutions adopted above the Register will be closed on the 14th Day of December, 1915, and the offer of New Shares will be made to the Shareholders on the Register on that day. The last day for receiving transfers will accordingly be the 13th December, 1915.

R. M. DYER, Chief Manager.

Hongkong, 1st December, 1915.

NOTICES

CHRISTMAS AT THE HONGKONG HOTEL.

At the request of several patrons of the Hotel the Management has arranged a series of dances to be held during Christmas Week open to residents and diners in the Hotel. These will take place on the following nights—

CHRISTMAS EVE FRIDAY, 24th December, 1915.

BOXING DAY MONDAY, 27th December, 1915.

NEW YEAR EVE FRIDAY, 31st December, 1915.

By kind permission of Lieut. Colonel L. A. WATSON and Officers of the Band of the 74th Punjabis under Bandmaster Christian will be in attendance. Special menus will be served in the Grill Room at \$3.50 per head and in the Main Dining Room at \$2.50 per head.

Table accommodation can be reserved at the Hotel Main Office. The Hotel Lunch will leave Blake Pier each night for Kowloon after dark.

J. H. TAGGART, Manager.

PUBLIC COMPANIES

UNION INSURANCE SOCIETY OF CANTON, LTD.

Notice is hereby given that an EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the Union Insurance Society of Canton, Limited, will be held at the Head Office of the Society No. 2, Queen's Buildings, Ice House Street, Victoria, in the Colony of Hongkong, on Monday the 20th day of December, 1915 at 11 o'clock in the forenoon when the subject of Resolutions which were passed as Extraordinary Resolutions at the Extraordinary General Meeting of the said Society held on the 4th day of December, 1915 will be submitted for confirmation as Special Resolutions—

1.—That the Capital of the Society be increased to \$4,000,000 (Four million Dollars) by the creation of 3,600 (Three thousand six hundred) additional ordinary shares of \$50 (Two hundred and fifty Dollars) each, whereof \$100 (One hundred Dollars) shall be credited as paid up ranking for dividend and in all other respects par passu with the existing ordinary shares of the Society; and that the said additional shares, so far as shall be necessary for the purpose, be issued to those Shareholders of the China Fire Insurance Company, Limited, who have accepted or shall accept the Society's offer made to them on the 4th day of August, 1915—such issue being in accordance with the terms of a contract or memorandum in writing made or to be made pursuant to the said offer and to be filed with the Registrar of Companies; and that the balance (if any) of the said additional shares be disposed of by the Society's Board of Directors in such manner as such Board shall think most beneficial to the Society.

2.—That Article No. 9 of the Society's Articles of Association which now reads—

"The Society shall have a first and paramount lien upon all the shares registered in the name of each shareholder (whether solely or jointly with others) and upon the proceeds of sale thereof, for his debts liabilities and engagements, and solely or jointly with any other person, to or with the Company, whether the period for the payment, fulfilment or discharge thereof shall have actually arrived or not, and no equitable interest in any share shall be created except upon the footing and condition that Clause 34a hereof is to have full effect. And such lien shall extend to all dividends from time to time declared in respect of such shares."

3.—That after Article No. 34 of the Society's Articles of Association the following new Article be inserted as Article No. 34a—

"34a. Save as herein otherwise provided the Society shall be entitled to treat the registered holder of any share as the absolute owner thereof, and accordingly shall not except as ordered by a Court of competent jurisdiction, or as by Ordinance required, be bound to recognise any equitable or other claim to or interest in such share on the part of any other person, firm, Company or Corporation."

4.—That the heading of Articles Nos. 95 to 100 (inclusive) of the Society's Articles of Association reading—

"The Secretary be altered so as to read 'The General Manager' and that in the last mentioned Articles (Nos. 94 to 99 inclusive) wherever the word 'Secretary' appears such word be eliminated and that in lieu thereof the words 'General Manager' be inserted."

5.—That in the following Articles of the Company's Articles of Association, viz—Articles Nos. 2, 7, 25, 36, 45, 47, 53, 55, 84, 94, 103 and 129 the word 'Secretary' wherever it occurs be eliminated and that in lieu thereof the words 'General Manager' be inserted. Dated this 4th day of December, 1915.

By Order of the Board. C. MONTAGUE EDE, Secretary.

PUBLIC COMPANIES

CHINA TRADERS' INSURANCE CO., LTD.

NOTICE is hereby given that an EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the China Traders' Insurance Company, Limited will be held at the Head Office of the Company, No. 2 Queen's Buildings, Ice House Street, Victoria, in the Colony of Hongkong, on Monday the 20th day of December, 1915 at 11.15 o'clock in the forenoon when the subject of Resolutions which were passed as Extraordinary Resolutions at the Extraordinary General Meeting of the said Company held on the 4th day of December, 1915 will be submitted for confirmation as Special Resolutions—

1.—That Article No. 9 of the Company's Articles of Association which now reads—

"The Company shall have a first and paramount lien upon all the shares of any shareholder for all monies due to the Company either from him alone or jointly with any other person, and where a share is held by more persons than one the Company shall have a lien thereon in respect of all monies due to it from all or any of the holders thereof."

be eliminated in its entirety, and that in lieu thereof the following new Article be inserted as Article No. 9—

9.—"The Company shall have a first and paramount lien upon all the shares registered in the name of each shareholder (whether solely or jointly with others) and upon the proceeds of sale thereof, for his debts liabilities and engagements, and solely or jointly with any other person, to or with the Company, whether the period for the payment, fulfilment or discharge thereof shall have actually arrived or not, and no equitable interest in any share shall be created except upon the footing and condition that Clause 34a hereof is to have full effect. And such lien shall extend to all dividends from time to time declared in respect of such shares."

2.—That after Article No. 33 of the Company's Articles of Association the following new Article be inserted as Article No. 33a—

33a.—"Save as herein otherwise provided the Company shall be entitled to treat the registered holder of any share as the absolute owner thereof, and accordingly shall not except as ordered by a Court of competent jurisdiction, or as by Ordinance required, be bound to recognise any equitable or other claim to or interest in such share on the part of any other person, firm, Company or Corporation."

3.—That the heading of Articles Nos. 94 to 99 (inclusive) of the Company's Articles of Association reading—

"The Secretary be altered so as to read 'The General Manager' and that in the last mentioned Articles (Nos. 94 to 99 inclusive) wherever the word 'Secretary' appears such word be eliminated and that in lieu thereof the words 'General Manager' be inserted."

4.—That in the following Articles of the Company's Articles of Association, viz—Articles Nos. 2, 7, 25, 36, 45, 47, 53, 55, 84, 94, 103 and 129 the word 'Secretary' wherever it occurs be eliminated and that in lieu thereof the words 'General Manager' be inserted. Dated this 4th day of December, 1915.

By Order of the Board. C. MONTAGUE EDE, Secretary.

NOTICES

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From Peak to Midway	From Midway to Peak
7.15 a.m.	7.15 a.m.
8.15 a.m.	8.15 a.m.
9.15 a.m.	9.15 a.m.
10.15 a.m.	10.15 a.m.
11.15 a.m.	11.15 a.m.
12.15 p.m.	12.15 p.m.
1.15 p.m.	1.15 p.m.
2.15 p.m.	2.15 p.m.
3.15 p.m.	3.15 p.m.
4.15 p.m.	4.15 p.m.
5.15 p.m.	5.15 p.m.
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8.15 p.m.	8.15 p.m.
9.15 p.m.	9.15 p.m.
10.15 p.m.	10.15 p.m.
11.15 p.m.	11.15 p.m.
12.15 a.m.	12.15 a.m.

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SHARE REPORT. COMPARATIVE SHARE QUOTATIONS.

Anglo-Java Plantations.
We are informed that the Board of Directors of the Anglo-Dutch (Java) Plantations, Ltd., have resolved to invite subscriptions for 27,289 fully paid ordinary shares at par, viz. Tls. 4.50 to shareholders on register on January 1, 1916. The transfer books of the Company will be closed from December 15 to December 31, 1915, both days inclusive.

Provincial Revenues.
The revenue from the wine and tobacco monopoly in the next fiscal year has been estimated at \$15,800,000, of which the provinces of Chihli, Kiangsu, Hupoh, Chekiang, and Kwangtung will remit \$1,000,000 respectively. Shanghai, Honan, Kiangsi, Anhui and Fokien \$800,000, respectively, Shanxi, Szechuan, Hunan, and Fungtien, \$600,000, respectively, the Metropolitan District, Kansu, Kirin, Yunnan and Kweichow \$400,000, respectively and Kwangsi, Singkiang, Heilungkiang, Jehol, Chahar and Suiyuan \$300,000 respectively.

Sugar Proposal in the Philippines.

The Philippine Central Sugar Board has been discussing proposed amendments to the act creating that body, which will be presented to the legislature for consideration at an early date. It is stated that there are two proposals now under consideration. The first of these calls for an amendment to the original Act by increasing the total appropriation to P5,000,000. With this amount available the Board feels that it will be in a position to guarantee the construction of at least three, and probably four centrals in different localities. The other proposition is to amend the Act so as to provide such additional funds as may be necessary to meet the expense of erecting and providing equipment for the Isabela mill only. Although no specific amount is mentioned in the latter amendment, the Board seems to be of the opinion that it should not be hampered when bids are again called for by a limitation which would prevent the acceptance of an otherwise advantageous offer, merely because the amount involved is slightly in excess of the P2,000,000 now made available for expenditure by the board. Representatives of the Bureau of Audits have been conferring with the board upon the financial aspects of the situation, and it is understood that several of the most important of the proposed amendments to the organic act are designed to permit the board more latitude in dealing with matters of that nature.

Railway Progress in Colombo.
When the huge scheme of extending and improving the Colombo railway yard is complete, there will be an area of 20 acres of workshops alone. To meet the demands for more rolling stock and the renovation of wagons, etc. it was necessary to carry out considerable extensions so that the output might meet the pressing demands on the locomotive department. As there was no other land available, the hilly portion situated somewhat semi-circular to the avenue had to be cut and levelled, while all the residential bungalows closest to the Maradana side were demolished. All the workshops are being extended on either side; already there is plenty of accommodation provided in the buildings that have so far been completed. There is a very large supply of new machinery of a more up-to-date type expected for the new shops and when fitted up the department will be able to cope more effectively with the considerable amount of work allotted to it. Beside new workshops there will be other improvements in the Yard, such as a more suitable office for the yard superintendent whence he can have a better view of the stock, etc., and several smaller buildings. It is interesting to recall that in 1906 the whole of the Maradana Yard had an area of only five acres, including workshops, running shed, etc. A few years back the new running shed was completed at Maradana and another section of lines has since been opened on that plot, while no engines now occupy any space in the yard except those engaged in shunting operations.—*Exchange.*

STOCK	To-day's Closing Price	Number of Shares	Par Value	Paid Up	1914.		1915.		Last Dividend and Date
					Highest	Lowest	Highest	Lowest	
Banks.	\$800 sa.	120,000	\$125	all	855	July.	700	Oct. 845	div. 790 c. div. {22 1/2% at 1/9 5/16 equal to \$24.21 for 1/2 year 30/8/15
H'kong & Shanghai Banking Corp.	273 1/10								
Marine Insurance.									
Canton Insurance Office, Ltd.	425	0,000	\$250	50	350	Dec.	305	Oct. 425	350 {Final of \$4 a/c 1913. Interim of \$18 a/c 1914.
North China Ins. Co. Ltd.	175	10,000	\$15	25	145	May.	133	Jan. 175	160 {Final of 12 1/2 p.c. making 25 p.c. for 1914
Union Ins. Society of Canton, Ltd.	2910	12,400	\$250	100	847 1/2	April	700	Oct. 972	\$855 {Final of \$20 and bonus of \$5 making \$25 for 1913 and Interim of \$30 for 1914
Yangtze Ins. Assoc. Ltd.	280	12,000	\$100	50	210	April	192 1/2	Jan. 270	225 {Final of \$15 mak. \$18 for 1913 & Int. of \$3 for 1914
Fire Insurance.									
China Fire Ins. Co. Ltd.	152 1/2	20,000	\$100	20	160	July	140	Oct. 142	139 {Final of 1913
H'kong Fire Ins. Co. Ltd.	441 1/2	8,000	\$250	50	395	Feb.	368	April 420	385 {27 for 1913
Shipping.									
Douglas Steamship Co. Ltd.	93	20,000	\$50	all	36	Mar.	27 1/2	Nov. 94	45 {4 1/2 for year ending 30.5.15
Hongkong, C. & M.S.S. Co. Ltd.	19 1/2	80,000	\$15	all	29 1/4	Jan.	22	Dec. 23	19 {Final of 40 cts. making 90 cts. for year ending 31.12.14
Indo-China Steam Navigation Co.	154 b.	160,000	\$25	all	79	Jan.	50	Sept. 159	96 {8 p.c. on p.a. & 3 p.c. on d.a. for year 1914. A. 200,000 s. p.c. div. in H.K. on 22.12.15 an interim div. of 6 p.c. on the combined a/c paid in London 22.12.15 equal to 2 1/2 p.c. in H.K.
Shell T'port & Trading Co. Ltd.	45 1/2	3,797,610	\$1	all	106 1/2	Feb.	70 1/2	Sept. 90 1/2	82 1/2 {Final of 5 1/2 (Coupon No. 24) making 7 1/2 for 1914
Star Ferry Company, Ltd.	37 1/2	40,000	\$10	all	49	Mar.	40	Nov. 39	32 1/2 {40 cts. per share and bonus of 40 cts. per share for year ending 30.4.15
Refineries.									
China S. Refining Co. Ltd.	125	20,000	\$100	all	96 1/2	Feb.	70	Nov. 134	111 {33 for 1913
Luzon S. Refining Co. Ltd.	56 1/2	7,000	\$100	all	31	Jan.	17	Dec. 45	27 1/2 {33 for 1897
Mining.									
Kailan Mining Administration.	30 1/2	1,000,000	\$1	all	47 1/2	Feb.	33 1/2	Dec. 33 1/2	34 1/2 {Interim of 1 1/2 account year ending 30.6.15 (Coupon No. 5.)
Ramb. Australian Gold Min.	3 1/2	200,000	\$1	all	3 1/2	Jan.	190	Nov. 4	3 1/2 {1 1/2 for 1909
Ing Co. Ltd.	3 1/2	160,000	\$1	all	39 1/2	Feb.	19 1/2	Nov. 32 1/2	25 1/2 {25 b. interim a/c 1915 paid 12.7.15
Tromoh Mines Ltd.	27 1/2	796,866	\$1	all	56 1/2		21 1/2	Nov. 41	37 1/2 {1 1/2 interim 1915
Ural Caspians	36 1/2								
Docks, Wharves and Godowns &c.									
H'kong & S.W. & G. Co. Ltd.	57 1/2	60,000	\$50	all	59	Jan.	73	Nov. 81 1/2	68 {35.50 for year 1914
H'kong & W.P. & D. Co. Ltd.	83 1/2	50,000	\$50	all	77	Jan.	53	Oct. 88 1/2	57 {33 dividend for year 1914
Shai Dock & Eng. Co. Ltd.	61	35,000	\$100	all	60	July	50	Dec. 49	49 ex div. Tls. 3 for year ending 30.4.15
Shai & H'kew W. Co. Ltd.	58	35,000	\$100	all	109	Jan.	82 1/2	Dec. 93 1/2	88 {Tls. 5 for 1914
Land, Hotels and Buildings.									
Anglo French Lands	194	13,000	\$100	100	128	July	120	Dec. 116	112 {Tls. 6 1/2 for year ending 30.6.14
H'kong Hotel Co. Ltd.	103	20,000	\$50	50					
H'kong Land Investment Co. Ltd.	103 1/2	50,000	\$100	all	117 1/2	July	98	Nov. 111 1/2	108 {33 for year ending 30.6.15
H'phreys Estate & F. Co. Ltd.	182	150,000	\$10	all	97 1/2	Jan.	7	Nov. 72	61.10 {45 cts. for year 1914
H'koon Land & Building Co. Ltd.	80	6,000	\$50	50	45 1/2	Jan.	44	Feb. 40	40 {33 for 1914
Shanghai Lands	105	75,000	\$50	all	98	Dec.	89	Oct. 106	101 {Dividend of 6 p.c. for 1 year ending 30.6.15
West Point Building Co. Ltd.	573	10,000	\$50	all	73	June	66	Feb.	70 {33 for half year ending 30.6.15
H'kong Central Estates	102	10,000	\$100	all					100 {4.09 for 7 months ending 31.12.14
Cotton Mills.									
Ewo Cotton S. & W. Co. Ltd.	160	20,000	\$50	all	138	July	135	May 180	152 1/2 {Tls. 12 for year ending 31.10.14
Fung Yik	115	75,000	\$10	all	142	Jan.	11	Mar. 17	133 1/2 {Tls. 1.20 for year ending 30.11.14
Laon Kung Mow	78 1/2	8,000	\$100	all	110	Feb.	70	Nov. 89	80 {Tls. 12 for 1913
Shanghai Cottons	266	40,000	\$50	all	135	Feb.	70	Nov. 105	990 {Dividend of Tls. 7 1/2 for year ending 30.6.15
Yangtze Woollen	50 1/2	175,000	\$5	all					62 {85 cents for 1914
Miscellaneous.									
China Borneo Company Ltd.	110 1/2	60,000	\$5	all	12	May	10	Dec. 10	10 {6% for year ending 23.2.06
China Light & Power Co. Ltd.	47 1/2	50,000	\$5	all	490	July	4	April 47 1/2	47 1/2 {70 cts. for 1914
Do. (Spec. shares)		125,000	\$10	all	9	Jan.	7	Nov. 10.19	8.00 {1.25 for year ending 31.7.15
China Prov. L. & M. Co. Ltd.	980	40,000	\$10	all	39	June	35	Aug. 34	31 {50 cts. for 1914
Dairy Farm Company, Ltd.	320	400,000	\$10	all	690	Jan.	5	Dec. 11	670 {300 p.c. for 1914
Green Island Cement Co. Ltd.	92	60,000	\$10	all	49	Jan.	36	Nov. 45	39 {Interim of \$2 account 1915
Hongkong Electric Co. Ltd.	144 1/2	6,000	\$25	all	217 1/2	July	174	Dec. 190	184 {Interim \$1 for year ending 30.6.15
Hongkong Ice Co. Ltd.	190	6,000	\$10	all	15	June	22	Apr. 43 1/2	25 {10% for 1914
Hongkong Rope Mfg. Co. Ltd.	34	325,000	0 5/8	all	13 1/2	July	7 1/2	Feb. 5.90	4.80 {Interim of Tls. 1 making Tls. 2 a/c 1913
Hongkong Tramway Co. Ltd.	5 1/4	250,000	\$10	all	64 1/2	Mar.	28	Dec. 42	36 1/2 {70 cts. on fully paid shares and 7 cts. on \$1 paid shares for year ending 30.4.15
Langkats.									
Peak Tramway Co. Ltd. (Old)	10	25,000	\$0	all	10 1/2	Jan.	9 1/4	June 10	9 {None
Do. (New) 85 cts.		50,000	\$10	all	93 cts.	Jan.	75 cts.	Dec. 81	80 cts. {None
Philippines.									
H. Price & Co. Ltd.	45	75,000	\$10	all					5 {None
Societe des Pulpes et Papier	120	12,000	\$10	10					5 {None
Series du Tonkin	120	13,200	\$50	all					20 {None
Steam Laundry Co. Ltd.	32 1/2	20,000	\$5	all	5	June	4	Nov. 3 1/2	3.00 {25 cts. for year ending 31.5.15
Union Water-boat Co. Ltd.	16 1/4	27,723	\$13	all	22 1/4	Feb.	17	Jan. 18	16 {100 p.c. for year ending 31.12.14
Watson and Co. Ltd.	16 1/4	99,000	\$10	all	8 1/2	April	6.90	Dec. 6.90	rd. div. 60 cts. for 1914
William Powell, Limited.	46	21,000	\$7	all	9 1/2	Jan.	6 1/2	Dec. 7	6 {50 cts. on old shares and 25 cts. on new year shares for year ending 30.6.14
S. C. Morning Post	29	6,000	\$25	all	30	June	92	Dec. 29	29 {1.50 for 1914

LATEST RUBBER QUOTATIONS.

Anglo-Java Estates Ltd. Tls. 12.70 sellers.	Ayer Panas (Straits) \$6.80 buyers.	Kempas (Straits) \$4.40 buyers.	Sindycrofts (Straits) \$7.00 buyers.
Anglo-Dutch Tls. 6 sellers.	Balgownie (Straits) \$3 1/2 buyers.	Malaka Hindas (Straits) \$1.90 buyers.	Pajam (Straits) \$13.00 buyers.
Linggis 14 1/8 buyers 15 1/6 sellers.	Changkat Serdangs (Straits) \$6.75 buyers.	Malakoffs (Straits) \$3.45 buyers.	New Serendah \$2.40 buyers.
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4 m/s. 7/16	T/T Ben F. Co. & N.Y. 43 1/4	4 m/s. D/P 2 1/2	
T/T Shanghai 74 1/2	Demand New York 45 3/8	6 m/s. L/C 2 1/2	
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T/T Singapore 22 1/2	T/T Manila 110 1/2	30 d/s. Ben F. Co. & N.Y. 43 1/4	
T/T Japan 90 1/2	Demand Germany	4 m/s. Marks 2 1/2	
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WAR TELEGRAMS

(Continued from page 1.)

THE AMERICAN CONSPIRACIES.

THE KAISER TO CLIMB DOWN.

December 8, 8.10 p.m.
A Washington message says that the State Department has been informed that the Kaiser is personally interested in Captains Boyd and Von Papen, as he personally appointed both. It is intimated, however, that he will order their withdrawal.

THE ALLIES IN THE WEST.

PREVALENCE OF "TRENCH-FOOT".

December 8, 10.55 p.m.
Replying to a question regarding the prevalence of frost bite at the front, Mr. Tennant, Under-Secretary for War, said that during the week ended November 27, there were 779 cases of "trench-foot" among the British troops in France. It is hoped to greatly reduce the number. Large quantities of rubber thigh boots had been sent and more are being sent.

VIOLENT ARTILLERY ACTIONS.

December 9, 1.40 p.m.
Last night's Paris communique states that the day was comparatively quiet. There were artillery actions in Artois and Champagne, these being especially violent in the latter region. We advanced by means of grenade fighting east of Souain. Our batteries between Argonne and the Meuse demolished, near Bethincourt, a reservoir of suffocating gas. A French aeroplane at a height of ten thousand feet chased and shelled a range of twenty yards a German machine, which caught fire and exploded. The German airmen fell in our lines.

SUPPLY OF HORSES.

BRITAIN'S NEW SCHEME.

December 8, 10.55 p.m.
The report of the Committee presided over by Lord Middleton on the supply of horses for military purposes makes a series of recommendations for increasing suitable horse breeding, involving an annual outlay which will possibly reach £100,000 compared with an expenditure this year under the Board of Agriculture's scheme of £28,000. The report points out that even this amount is small compared with the expenditure of the continental Powers, but it would be false economy to defer action. The recommendations include the increase of the Army's horse-peace establishments.

GREECE AND THE ALLIES.

ARRANGING AN UNDERSTANDING.

December 8, 10.55 p.m.
A telegram from Reuter's correspondent at Salonica reports that two Greek officers of the General Staff have arrived there to arrange with the British and French military authorities the details of an understanding which has been reached between the Entente and the Hellenic Governments.

THE ITALIANS.

A STRONG ENTRENCHMENT CAPTURED.

December 8, 11.55 p.m.
The Rome communique states: After an intense artillery preparation the enemy's infantry attacked our positions in the Ledro and Terragnola valleys, but were completely and immediately repulsed. On the Carso plateau our infantry continues a resolute aggressive, and as the result of a brilliant action on the northern portion of Monte San Michie yesterday, we captured a strong and extensive entrenchment, taking 145 prisoners and a quantity of material.

THE ANCONA.

AMERICA'S DEMANDS ON AUSTRIA.

December 9, 2.10 p.m.
According to Reuter's correspondent in New York, the Evening Post's Washington telegram announces that the United States has sent a peremptory Note to Austria regarding the sinking of the s.s. Ancona which is expected to be presented by the Ambassador in Vienna to-day or to-morrow. The Note demands complete disavowal of the sinking of the vessel, the punishment of the commander of the submarine concerned, full indemnity to the families of the American victims and an assurance against any repetition.

December 9, 5.50 a.m.
The Evening Post's information is officially confirmed.

BIG RECRUITING BOOM.

ALL RECORDS BROKEN.

December 9, 5.50 a.m.
There have been enormous crowds at the recruiting stations during the past few days. Yesterday's recruiting broke all records, registering clerks and doctors being unable to cope with the number of applicants. Messages received at midnight from the recruiting stations in the London suburbs reported that hundreds, in some cases thousands were then waiting to be attended to, the police being engaged in regulating the crowds. Some of the recruiting offices in the provinces have been kept open day and night. It is expected that Mr. Asquith on December 15 will ask the House of Commons to sanction a million men in addition to the three million already sanctioned.

POST OFFICE.

As no opportunity for the despatch of Parcel Mail to Mexico is likely to occur for some time, parcels for Mexico will not be accepted until further notice.

Ships in communication with Cape D'Aguiar Radio Telegraph Station:-

Monteagle
Polytechnic
Antiochus

Correspondence addressed to enemy subjects in China, Siam, Persia and Morocco cannot be transmitted.

The Services to Germany, Austria, and the Ottoman Empire are suspended.

MAILS DUE.

Australia, Nippon, 11th Dec.
Siberia, Siam, 12th Dec.

MAILS CLOSE TO-DAY.

Japan via Kobe-KUMSANG, 10th Dec. 5 p.m.

TO-MORROW.

Holow, Tournay & Quenhen-Per HALLAN, 11th Dec. 7 a.m.

Haiphong-Per CHELAN M., 11th Dec. 9 a.m.

Saigon-Per TONGHONG, 11th Dec. 9 a.m.

Hongkong-Per HANYANG, 11th Dec. 10 a.m.

American & Canadian
Japan via San Francisco & United Kingdom via Canada-Per SHINTO MARU, 11th Dec. 11 a.m.

Formosa via Taiwan-Per CHONGSIN, 11th Dec. 11 a.m.

Swatow & Amoy-Per HONGKONG, 11th Dec. 11 a.m.

Philippine Is.-Per YUENSANG, 11th Dec. 2 p.m.

Saigon, Straits, Burma, Ceylon, Adelaide, Western Australia, India, Aden, Egypt & Europe-Per POLYNESIAN, 11th Dec. 4 p.m.

Philippine Islands, Australia, Tasmania, New Zealand via Melbourne-Per TAIYUAN, 11th Dec. 4 p.m.

Swatow, Shanghai & North China-Per WINGANG, 11th Dec. 5 p.m.

Siberia, Siam, and North China (Europe via Siberia) Per-CHENAN, 11th Dec. 5 p.m.

Europe via Siberia Shanghai Br. P.O. Wednesday, 14th Dec. 5 p.m.

Saigon-Per PHUMPUCH, 11th Dec. 5 p.m.

SUNDAY, 12th Dec.

Japan via Nagasaki-Per NIKKO M., 11th Dec. 9 a.m.

Swatow, Amoy & Formosa via Taiwan-Per DALIN M., 11th Dec. 9 a.m.

MONDAY, 13th Dec.

Straits & India via Calcutta-Per LAISANG, 13th Dec. 2 p.m.

Saigon-TONGHONG, 13th Dec. 10 a.m.

TUESDAY, 14th Dec.

Philippine Islands, Japan via Nagasaki, Honolulu, United States, South America, and Canada via San Francisco and Kingdom via Canada-Per NIPPON M., 14th Dec. 9 a.m.

Sundaland-Per HINSANG, 14th Dec. 10 a.m.

Swatow, Amoy & Formosa-Per HALLAN, 14th Dec. 1 p.m.

Shanghai, North China Japan via Moji, Victoria B.C. and Seattle & United Kingdom via Canada-Per TAMBO M., 14th Dec. 3 p.m.

Shanghai & North China-Per ANEUL, 14th Dec. 3 p.m.

(Europe via Siberia, Shanghai Br. P.O. Saturday, 18th Dec.)

Philippine Is.-Per TAMING, 14th Dec. 3 p.m.

THURSDAY 16th Dec.

Straits, Ceylon, Port Said, Marseilles & London-Per KAMO M., 16th Dec. 11 a.m.

Straits, Burma, Ceylon, Adelaide, Western Australia, India, Aden, Egypt, and Europe. The parcel mail will be closed on Wednesday, 15th Dec. at 5 p.m. Per NAMUB, 16th Dec. Registration 1.15 p.m. Letters 2 p.m.

Shanghai & North China-Per SIKKIANG, 16th Dec. 2 p.m.

(Europe via Siberia, Shanghai Br. P.O. Monday, 20th Dec.)

FRIDAY, 17th Dec.

Haiphong-Per KAIFONG, 17th Dec. 10 a.m.

Swatow, Amoy & Formosa-Per HALLAN, 17th Dec. 1 p.m.

SATURDAY, 18th Dec.

Australia, Tasmania, New Zealand, via Port Darwin, New Guinea via Thursday Is. -Per ST. ALBANS, 18th Dec. 10 a.m.

TUESDAY 21st Dec.

Philippine Is.-Per CHINHUA, 21st Dec. 3 p.m.

SHIPPING NEWS.

ARRIVED.

Yusang, Br. s.s. 1,122, J. Campbell, 10th Dec.-Wuhu, Rice-J. M. & Co.

Amoy, Chinese s.s. 1,139, R.G. Paramore, 10th Dec.-Shanghai 7th Dec. Gen.-C.M.S.N. Co.

Taipei Maru, Jap. s.s. 2,101, T. Lomichi, 9th Dec.-Dairen, 3rd Dec. Gen.-N.R.K.

Anna, Norw. s.s. 1,017, A. Arntsen, 10th Dec.-Tournay, 6th Dec. Rice-Chinese.

Aryo Maru, Jap. s.s. 2,147, 10th Dec.-Wakamatsu, 4th Dec. Coal-F. & Co.

Kwongang, Br. s.s. Bechara, 10th Dec.-Swatow, Gen.-J. M. & Co.

Chingchow, Br. s.s. 1,155, Jap. Doyle, 9th Dec.-Port Swatow, 9th Dec. Lime Stone-S.T. & Co.

Laiang, Br. s.s. 2,224, F. Mooney, 9th Dec.-Kobe, 4th Dec. Gen.-J. M. & Co.

Ision, Br. s.s. 6,556, G.L. Stout, 9th Dec.-Yokohama, 2nd Dec. Gen.-R. & S.

Fung Kiung, Br. s.s. 3,635, J. Mason, 9th Dec.-Singapore, 4th Dec. Gen.-Chinese.

DEPARTED.

Dec. 9.

Antiochus for Yokohama via Shanghai

Hutching for Macao

Tung Boat for Chingchow

Chongwa for Kwang-chow-wan via Macao

Hongkong for Haiphong via Holow

Foochow for Haiphong

Chingchow for Haiphong via Wei-hai-wei

Chowan for Canton

Shanghai for Shanghai

Chingchow for Port Swatow

Tung for Canton

CLEARANCES AT THE HARBOUR OFFICE.

Dec. 10.

Dira for Haiphong

Tycoon for Sourabaya

Kumchow for Saigon

Haiphong for Foochow via Swatow

Tung for Canton

PASSENGERS ARRIVED.

Per s.s. Kwongang from Shanghai-Mr. White.

WATER RETURN.

Level and Storage of water in Reservoirs on the 1st Dec., 1915.

CITY AND HILL DISTRICT WATER WORKS LEVEL.

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WEATHER REPORT.

On the 10th at 11.30-A strong anticyclone is now central to the north of the lower Yangtze Valley.

A depression has formed to the north-east of Hokkaido.

The typhoon in the China Sea appears to be nearly stationary. It will probably fill up or curve north-eastward.

Strong monsoon may be expected along the east coast of China, and cyclonic gales over the north-eastern portion of the China Sea.

Hongkong Rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day, 0.47 inches.

FORECAST FOR THE 24 HOURS ENDING AT NOON TO-MORROW.

Forecast.

1 Hongkong and Neighbourhood.

2 Formosa Channel.

3 South coast of China between H.K. and Lamooch.

4 South coast of China between H.K. and Hainan.

China Coast Meteorological Register.

10th December, a.m.

Station.

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Barometer.

Temperature.

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Novara Capt. H. R. Eatherington R.N.R. } about 18th Dec. } Freight & Passage

LONDON & Bombay via Singapore, Penang, Colombo, Port Said and Marseilles

Nankin Capt. G. Manley } about 30th Dec. } Freight & Passage

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4 Direction of Wind, to two points.